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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 2/17/64

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SUBJECT:

SALVATORE SABELLI;
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On 2/10/64 [REDACTED] furnished information,
together with [REDACTED] that SALVATORE
SABELLI is a member of the Cosa Nostra.

Accordingly, a 92-dead file should be opened
on the above individual.

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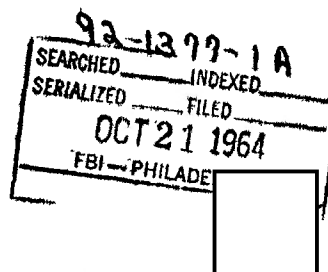
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(Title) SALVATORE SABELLI, aka.

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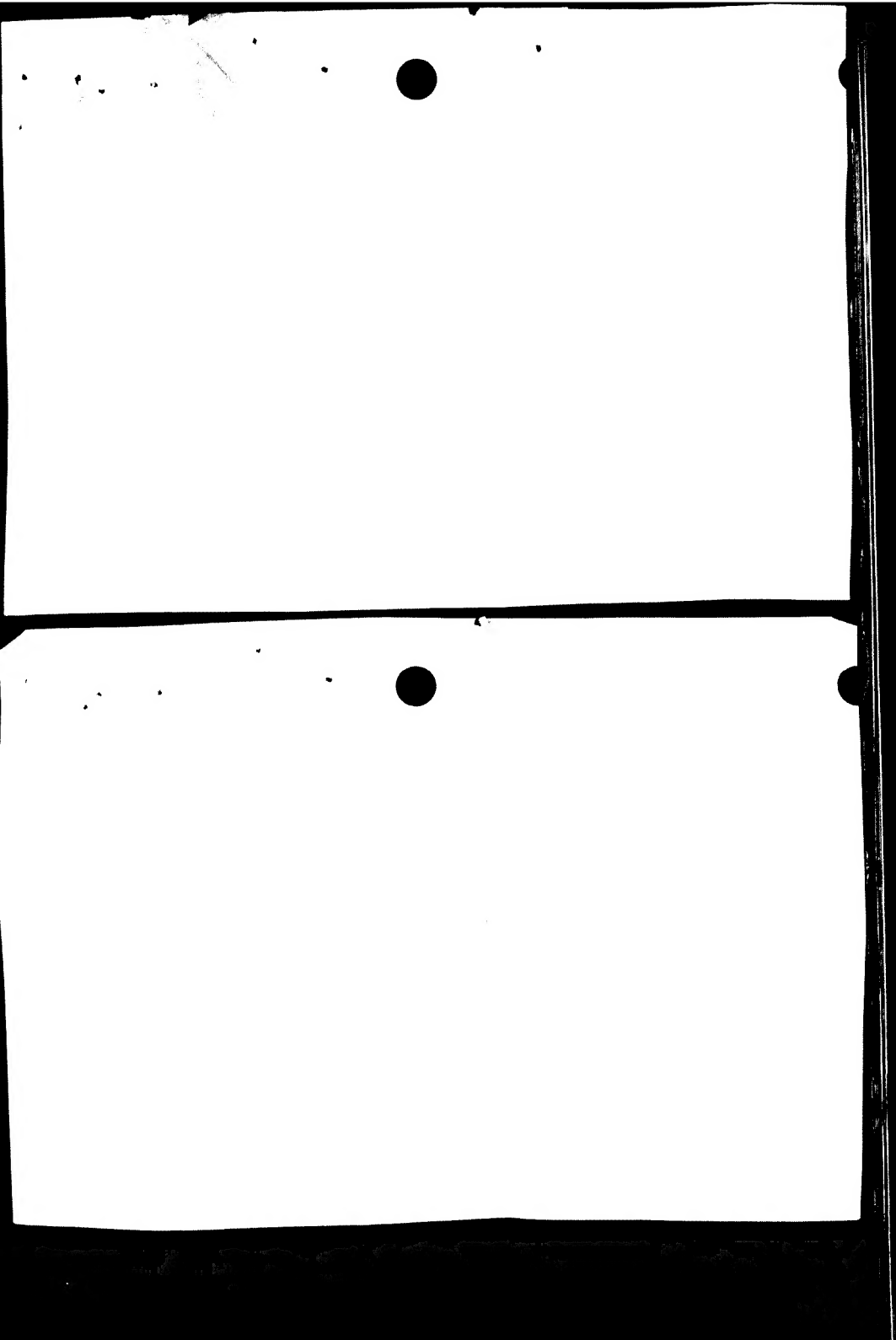
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TITLES & FILE NUMBERS ON WHICH CONTACTED:

COSA NOSTRA
ANGELO BRUNO, aka

[REDACTED]
JOSEPH RUGNETTA
DOMINIC POLLINA
PHILIP CHARLES TESTA
JAMES CHRISTY
JOHN SIMONE
ANDREW AVELLINO

[REDACTED]
FRANK MONTE
FRANK NARDUCCI, aka "Chickie"
ALFRED IEZZI
SAM SCAFIDI (Pa.)
ROCCO SCAFIDI
NICHOLAS PICCOLO, aka

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[REDACTED]
ANTHONY PERELLA

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MICHAEL CAMMAROTA

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JOHN ANTHONY CAPPELLO

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ANTHONY CAPONIGRO

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CHARLES COSTELLO

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[REDACTED]
JOSEPH MAGGIO

92-1092

PETER J. MAGGIO

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FRANK NICOLETTI

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FRANK SANSONE

92-1075

[REDACTED]
VINCENZO TURCO

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FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO, aka

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[REDACTED]
CARMINE BATTAGLIA

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[REDACTED]
JOSEPH PICCOLO

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[REDACTED]
JOSEPH SCAFIDI

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[REDACTED]
SAM SCAFIDI (NJ)

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[REDACTED]
GAETANO SCAFIDI

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PETER CASELLA

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PASQUALE MASSI

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MARCO REGINELLI

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DOMINICK OLIVETO

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DIMETRI PINESTRI
DOMINICK FESTA

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SALVATORE TESTA

[REDACTED]
SALVATORE SABELLI
FREDERICO LAGANA
SAMUEL ROMEO
ANGELO CILEONE
MICHAEL MAGGIO
JIMMY ROSE

[REDACTED]
LEONARD NICOLETTI
JOSEPH MARINO
NINO MARINO

[REDACTED]
PAUL SAVARESE

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JOSEPH LANCIANO
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Informant, on 2/10/64, furnished the following information re Cosa Nostra:

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[redacted] The
source advised again [redacted]

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Informant said that [redacted]

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Informant said it was [redacted]

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For example, informant stated that he did not believe
the [redacted]

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Informant advised that the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] members of Cosa Nostra are not connected
with the [REDACTED] but were connected
with the group around [REDACTED]

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The informant was asked to comment on a list of individuals, as to whether they were or were not members of Cosa Nostra. He identified the following individuals in Pennsylvania and New Jersey as persons he knew to be in the organization, unless otherwise noted:

ANGELO BRUNO

[REDACTED]
PHILIP TESTA

ANDREW AVELLINO

FRANK MONTE

ALFRED IEZZI

ROCCO SCAFIDI

JACK PARISI

[REDACTED]
ANTHONY PERELLA

MICHAEL CAMMAROTA

ANTHONY CAPONIGRO

FRANK DAMIANO

PETER J. MAGGIO

FRANK SANSONE (not in)

FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO

CARMINE BATTAGLIA

JOSEPH PICCOLO

[REDACTED]
SAM GIOIA (deceased)

SAM SCAFIDI (NJ)

GAETANO SCAFIDI

PASQUALE MASSI

[REDACTED]
JOSEPH BRUNO

SAM DE CAVALCANTE

DIMETRI PINESTRI

[REDACTED]
SALVATORE TESTA

SALVATORE SABELLI

IGNATIUS DENARO

DOMINIC POLLINA

JOHN SIMONE

CARL IPPOLITO

FRANK NARDUCCI

SAM SCAFIDI (PA)

NICHOLAS PICCOLO (not in)

[REDACTED]
JOHN CAPPELLO

CHARLES COSTELLO

JOSEPH MAGGIO

FRANK NICOLETTI

VINCENZO TURCO

[REDACTED]
JOSEPH SCAFIDI

[REDACTED]
PETER CASELLA

MARCO REGINELLI (deceased)

DOMINICK OLIVETO

JAMES GATTO

[REDACTED]
VINCENZO AMATO

EDUARDO CAMINITI

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SAMUEL ROMEO
MICHAEL MAGGIO
HARRY RICCOBENE
JOSEPH LANCIANO

ANGELO CILEONE

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] (informant advised that this is the
individual in [REDACTED])

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (informant did not know this person
under the true name [REDACTED])

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (informant stated he did not know
this person);

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DOMINICK FESTA (informant advised this person was
from the Chester, Pa., area; is a member of Cosa Nostra.

JIMMY ROSE (informant advised he did not know this
person);

LEONARD NICOLETTI (advised he did not know this
individual);

JOSEPH MARINO (informant advised that he did not
know this person);

[REDACTED] (informant advised he did not know this
individual);

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PAUL SAVARESE (informant advised this person was de-
ceased and had been an exception to the rule of the
Cosa Nostra as of this date in that SAVARESE had
worked in a political job in City Hall in Philadel-
phia. Informant advised he did not know of any
present member of the Cosa Nostra who was connected
in politics; he was a member of Cosa Nostra.

NINO CALIO (informant advised that this person was
deceased and formerly had lived around Frankford

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Avenue in Philadelphia and further, had a brother who is or was in the past a detective on the Philadelphia Police Department; he was a member of the Cosa Nostra.)

FILIPPO POLLINA (informant advised this person was a brother of ANTONIO POLLINA; that he formerly operated a grocery store on 10th Street in Philadelphia; that he is now deceased; and that he was a member of the Cosa Nostra.)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054) DATE: MAY 25 1964 ✓
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1027) (P)
SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA
 ANTI-RACKETEERING
 (OO: NEW YORK)

[redacted] was recontacted on 5/7/64. With regard to information he furnishes, it is pointed out that he has been out of contact [redacted]

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It is also believed desirable to point out that in prior contacts he has indicated that [redacted]

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A review of information furnished by him reveals that he has adhered to this policy. He has furnished

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information of value and interest concerning Organization leadership and membership of the Italian underworld, and in some cases has identified individuals who had been active in criminal enterprises; however, in each case it appears that the statute of limitations had long since operated and therefore he was not placing them in jeopardy. This is pointed out in view of some indication that he might have information of interest to the Bureau; however, this would be in a case where he would have to jeopardize another individual.

In one instance, he was reported by another informant to have knowledge possibly [redacted]

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The informant advised as follows:

[redacted]
[redacted] He believes the Organization was first "pulled together" in this country in approximately 1930 by an individual known to him as "JOE THE BOSS". As he recalled, the last name of this individual sounded something like "MAGLOCCO". He said this person was from New York City and was considered the "overall boss".

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Reference is made at this time to the report of SA [redacted] dated June 29, 1962, at New York, N. Y., in the case entitled, "THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ETAL; AR", and now entitled, "LA COSA NOSTRA".

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On Page 13 of this report, it sets forth information concerning the arrest in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1928 of 23 alleged members of "the Mafia Grand Council". This information was reported from a news item and among those listed as being arrested was one [redacted]

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if the last-mentioned individual is identical with the person identified by [redacted] or if he may be identical with the JOSEPH MAGLIOCCO who recently died and had recently been the head of a Family in New York City.

It is pointed out, however, that the informant claimed that [redacted]

He said as he recalled, however, at the time of [redacted]

The informant said that although he assumes that the name "La Cosa Nostra" grew into popular use through some mistake, he had never heard the Organization referred to in this manner until the year of 1963. [redacted]

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Names frequently used locally in Philadelphia for convenience purposes over the years have been:



He assumed that use of "La Cosa Nostra" may have

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He pointed out that [redacted]

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[REDACTED]

PHILIP TESTA, who presently is incarcerated at the Philadelphia Detention Center on a Federal contempt of court charge, appears to be doing all right. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The informant recently met "NICKY" (SCARFO), who introduced himself to the informant. He referred to SCARFO as "just a kid" and said that to his knowledge, SCARFO is not a member of the Organization.

The informant had also learned that ROCCO SCAFIDI had been incarcerated at the Philadelphia Detention Center with PHILIP TESTA. He said that SCAFIDI's father, TOM GAETANO, had been a member of the Organization, but that he had never heard that any of the SCAFIDI boys had become members. He said it was very doubtful if ROCCO would be accepted as a member, as he is "too radical". The Organization has used ROCCO at different times on matters where he could not hurt them. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The informant said that he has known [REDACTED] for many years and that this individual [REDACTED]

Another brother, SALVATORE, was said to be dying of cancer.

With regard to any closer association [REDACTED] [REDACTED] with ANGELO BRUNO since the incarceration of TESTA, he said that this is probably due only to [REDACTED] trying

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to develop a closeness to BRUNO and not due to BRUNO having any more respect for [REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED]

In view of the current closeness of [REDACTED] to BRUNO, the informant was questioned as to whether this might indicate that IGNAZIO DENARO is being pushed into the background, and if so, this might indicate a loss of standing or other problem on his part. The informant replied, [REDACTED]

The pending Federal prosecution of BRUNO and others under the extortion and related statutes was discussed, together with any additional pressure that such a prosecution might bring to bear on the individuals involved.

During the informant's remarks concerning this, he said that he feels sure that IGNAZIO DENARO would "stand up" through any ordinary pressure as a result of prosecution, but if there was a good likelihood that he would receive a sentence of ten years or more, then DENARO might not be able to stand this pressure. He said that such pressure might cause DENARO to "open up".

ARMANDO COLIANNI was described by the informant as only an errand boy of DENARO, and he said that he felt sure that COLIANNI is not a member of the Organization.

Regardless of the amount of pressure brought to bear by the Government through prosecution or investigations, [REDACTED]

The informant said that he recognized a photograph of CARMINE GALANTE as an individual known to him on

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one occasion, and said that he believes that he is a member of the Organization. He said that he is getting along in years and he believes that GALANTE may be in a "retired" status. It is noted that GALANTE is currently confined at Lewisburg Penitentiary.

HARRY RICCOBENE, a member of the Organization in Philadelphia, has tried to have John's Vending buy out Penn-Jersey Vending completely, but ANGELO BRUNO does not want to make the complete sale.

BRUNO claims that the portion of Penn-Jersey that he continues to control furnishes him a living and a salary to his wife and possibly one other person.

The informant said [REDACTED]

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"SONNY" RICCOBENE is not a member of the Organization and probably will not be as long as HARRY RICCOBENE is alive. The informant said that he knows that HARRY RICCOBENE is definitely opposed to his half-brother, MARIO "SONNY" RICCOBENE becoming a member of the Organization.

Sabelli At one point mention was made of the name of SALVATORE SABELLI, a former "Boss" of the Family in Philadelphia, and the informant said that he is quite sure that SABELLI died sometime ago.

With regard to information reported concerning a previous contact with the informant as to GAETANO SCAFIDI killing his wife, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The man who committed the killing in this situation was MICHAEL MAGGIO

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(deceased), who killed both his second wife and one of his sons when he found them in bed together.

Some ten years ago. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was PETER MAGGIO.

He said that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] while PETER was more of the "playboy" type.

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PETER's prestige, however, has increased considerably in the past few years, possibly as a result of ANGELO BRUNO's rise to power as Boss of the Philadelphia Family. He pointed out that PETER MAGGIO is married to ANGELO BRUNO's sister.

On one occasion when ANGELO BRUNO was picked up by the Philadelphia Police Department, a piece of paper was found on his person with the name [REDACTED] and a telephone number that was determined to be listed to [REDACTED]

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The informant said that [REDACTED] was not known by him to have ever been more than [REDACTED]
He mentioned that [REDACTED]

It will be appreciated if the New York Office will furnish to Philadelphia any information it may have which would tend to support or detract from the information the informant furnished concerning the individual referred to as "JOE THE BOSS", who is said by him to be the first over-all Boss of the Organization.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Philadelphia

DATE: 7/24/64

FROM: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA
AR - CONSPIRACY

You are instructed to immediately open an Anti-Racketeering investigation on each of the individuals named below who have been identified by confidential informants or sources of your office as members of La Cosa Nostra and who are actively associated with the leaders or other members of captioned organization.

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[redacted] 92-838 *	[redacted] 92-1446 *	Leonard Nicoletti 92-b6 2
Andrew Avellino 92-121 *	Sam Gioia 92-1339 *	Anthony Perella 92-12b7C
Josenh Bruno 92-1358 *	[redacted] 92-1341 *	[redacted] 92-1373
[redacted] 92-1359 *	Joseph Lanciano 92-1346 *	[redacted] 92-1332 *
Michael Cammarota 92-1345	[redacted] 92-694 *	Salvatore Sabelli 92-137
[redacted] 92-1360	[redacted] 92-1175 *	Frank Sansone 92-1177 *
[redacted] 92-1143 *	[redacted] 92-1077 *	Paul Savarese 92-1378 *
[redacted] 92-1344 *	[redacted] 1349	Gaetano Scafidi 92-1379
[redacted] 92-1361 *	Joseph Marino 92-1369 *	Joseph Scafidi 92-1331 *
[redacted] 92-1092 *	[redacted] 92-1370 *	Sam Scafidi 92-1173 *
[redacted] 92-1342	[redacted] 92-1080	[redacted] 92-1380
		Vincenzo Turco 92-1074 *

These investigations must include the review and reporting of pertinent material appearing in your files, as well as current contacts with confidential informants and sources, and other related and necessary investigation in order to develop background and descriptive data and to fully determine each subject's involvement in organized criminal activities. After your investigation on each subject is completed, submit an investigative report reflecting your analysis of the case on the administrative pages, including your recommendation as to whether further investigation is warranted. As additional members of La Cosa Nostra are identified through your investigations, you must open a new Anti-Racketeering case on each new member in line with the above instructions.

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Letter to Philadelphia
Re: LA COSA NOSTRA

The Bureau realizes that your office in the past has covered the hoodlum activities of some of the named subjects through your investigations of more prominent and active members of captioned organization. However, in the interest of having a separate case file on each member of La Cosa Nostra containing complete background data on these hoodlum figures, the above-named investigative targets have been selected by the Bureau for penetration.

These investigations must receive prompt attention by your office. The Bureau will closely follow the progress of your efforts to insure that all La Cosa Nostra members within your division are receiving appropriate investigative attention. You are reminded that 22 field offices, including Philadelphia, on 1/28/63 were advised that separate investigative reports on members of captioned organization who had not previously been the subjects of Anti-Racketeering cases under the Criminal Intelligence Program be prepared and submitted suitable for dissemination by the Bureau to the Department.

If some justifiable reason exists for not conducting the requested investigation on any of these subjects for reasons possibly unknown to the Bureau, immediately advise the Bureau in that regard.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-1377)

DATE: September 28, 1964

FROM :

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SUBJECT: SALVATORE SABELLI
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The files of the Philadelphia Office reflect the following information regarding captioned individual:

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GIIF, Philadelphia Division, period covering 10/30/51 to 4/30/52, reflects the following regarding captioned individual:

Two other members of the Mafia who frequent the neighborhood of 10th and Christian Streets and 8th and Christian Streets, which is the neighborhood in which the Greasers operate, were FRANK NICOLETTA and SALVATORE SABELLI. NICOLETTA is described as approximately 38 years of age, 5'6" in height and of slender build. SABELLI resides in Glendale, Pa., but is in South Philadelphia every day. He was described as approximately 63 or 64 years of age, 5'7" in height, of slender build, has white hair and wears glasses.

Another group of individuals whose names are often associated with the Greasers are persons closely associated with LITTLE HARRY RICCOBENE. RICCOBENE, who has previously been arrested for use of narcotic drugs, of recent date has been managing large crap games in Wilmington, Del. ANGELO BRUNO, a prominent member of the Mafia in Philadelphia, according to [Redacted] is associated with RICCOBENE in this venture along with [Redacted] MICHAEL MAGGIO and SALVATORE SABELLI.

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33-296-17-284 p. 122

GIIF, Philadelphia Division, date stamped 11/7/52, reflects the following information regarding SALVATORE SABELLI:

A list of Greaser racketeers in Philadelphia area was set forth. Included in this list was the following:

SALVATORE SABELLI - one of ANGELO BRUNO's Chief Lieutenants in the Philadelphia area.

This list was furnished by the following:

Lieutenant BROWN - 10/14/52

Detective Sergeant [REDACTED]

Philadelphia Police Department - 10/15/52

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62-2122-4 p. 14

Chicago Office letter to Director, FBI, cc Philadelphia, dated 7/18/46, captioned "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG - MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY," reflects the following information regarding SABELLI:

"For the information of the offices to which leads are hereinafter set out, [REDACTED] Acting Supervising Customs Agent, New York, under date of February 15, 1940, advised the new York Office as follows:

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"The former head man of Philadelphia is SALVATORE SABELLI, who now lives off the bounty of the MAFPIA. He is paid about \$200.00 a week as retirement income. He is described as 5'7", 160#, 62 years, hair gray, married, [REDACTED] SABELLI was demoted as boss because Memorial Day of 1928 he ordered a killing which was carried out in the daytime rather than at night and because SABELLI had planned it in a poor fashion. He was demoted for poor judgment and has been on the retirement list ever since....."

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62-2122-69 p. 46

Philadelphia report of SA [] dated 8/30/46, captioned "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG; INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY," reflects the following information regarding SALVATORE SABELLI:

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REVIEW OF INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT MIKE R.

SAVATORE SABELLI, mentioned by MIKE R. is unknown to this office.

62-2248*

Master file identical with subject. Agent requested to review file.

92-1027-145

Memo SA [] dated 6/10/63, captioned "LA CAUSA NOSTRA; AR," reflects the following information regarding SALVATORE SABELLI:

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In 1946, [] (deceased), advised that until 1928 SALVATORE SABELLI was a boss of the organization. SABELLI was demoted, however, after a killing on Memorial Day of that year that he had approved, and this killing was poorly executed.

92-1075-146 p. 9

Philadelphia report of SA [] dated 6/26/63, captioned "FRANK NICOLETTI, aka; AR," reflects the following regarding captioned individual:

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T-3, identified as [] (deceased) contacted by SA [] on 1/20/58, advised that one "PEPPELONGO" had been killed by ANGELO BRUNO and PHILIP TESTA while FRANK NICOLETTI operated the getaway car.

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92-1075-146 p. 9 (Cont.)

On 2/3/58, the same informant advised that the body of the murdered man had been found on South 10th Street near Carpenter. He could not recall the exact date of the murder but said that it was several years ago.

The victim was reportedly killed for engaging in too much loose talk. It was claimed that the victim had said that SALVATORE SABELLI had an affair with the victim's wife and that FRANK NICOLETTI's wife had performed an act of perversion upon him. It was pointed out that NICOLETTI's wife was said to have spent 20 years in a house of prostitution.

It is pointed out that this same informant has previously identified SALVATORE SABELLI as at one time being "boss" of "The Organization" or the "Mafia" in the Philadelphia area. SABELLI was said to have erred in judgment; however, and was demoted from this position.

88-433-10 p. 6

92-1027-293 p. 6, 12, 14

Above two references, believed to be identical with captioned individual, were unavailable at the time this memo was completed.

THE INDICES HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED WITH THIS MEMO.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

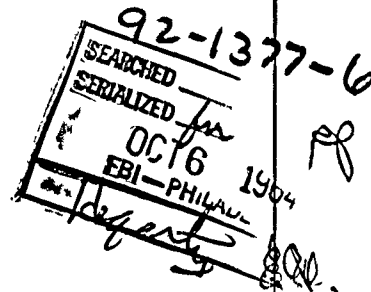
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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD, Phila., Pa.	Salvatore Sabella #56230	5-31-27	murder	
PD, Linden, N.J.	Salvatore Sabella #235	8-19-31	atro. A. and B.	G.J. w/o bail
Cent. Ident. Bu. Union Co., Elizabeth N.J., #3012	Salvatore Sabella #J-8425, Union Co. Jail, Elizabeth, N.J.	8-19-31	atro. A. and B.	rel. in bail 8-22-31
Montgomery Co. Pr. Norristown, Pa.	Salvadore Sabella #---	3-29-35	vio. Liquor Laws	3 mos.
AR	Salvatore Sabella #5579668	alien reg 12-24-40		
PD Phila Pa	Salvatore Sabella #56230	9-10-43	larc of money no alien reg card	



Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. Where final disposition is not shown or further explanation of charge is desired, communicate with agency contributing those fingerprints.

Notations indicated by * are NOT based on fingerprints in FBI files but are listed only as investigative leads as being possibly identical with subject of this record.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This form may be submitted in legible hand-printing.
2. Use separate form for each individual on whom record is requested.
3. Make effort to furnish FBI Identification Number or Law Enforcement Identification Number.
4. Furnish descriptive data and fingerprint classification only when FBI Number not available.
5. Indicate office for reply in lower-left corner only. Also list in lower-left corner all offices which should receive copies of available records. Include carbon of revised FD-9 for each office receiving copies and forward with original to Bureau.
6. Do not fill in block in lower-right corner.
7. Where available furnish Law Enforcement Identification Number and Military Service Number.

To: DIRECTOR, FBI		Attention: Identification Division		Date 9/28/64	
Re SALVATORE SABELLI, aka AR					
Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following:					
Name SALVATORE SABELLI		FBI No. 479029 Other No. PH PD # 56230			
Aliases SALVATORE SABELLA, SALVATORE SUBELLIE					
Sex M	Race White	Birth Date 54 in 1944	Birthplace Italy	Residence 275 North Main Street, Glendale, Pa.	
Height	Weight	Build	Hair	Eyes	Complexion
Fingerprint Classification			Scars, marks and tattoos		
Also Furnish: ☒ Photo ☐ Fingerprints ☐ Handwriting Specimens			SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED OCT 6 1964 FBI - PHILADELPHIA <i>Report</i> 92-1377-7		
Return Reply to: SAC, Philadelphia (92-1377)			Identification Division's Reply 10-2-64		
Send Copies To: 1-Bureau EDH:bec (1)			☐ On basis of information furnished, unable to identify: ☐ Criminal Files ☐ Civil Files ☐ All Files ☒ Record Attached ☒ Photo Attached ☐ Photo Not Available ☐ Fingerprints Attached ☐ Handwriting Specimen Attached		
Subject's FBI file has been reduced to microfilm making the attached photograph the best obtainable at this time. Original photograph received from Bu of Pol Phila Pa.					

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10/20/64

SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1377) (P)

SALVATORE SABELLI, aka
Salvatore Sabella,
Salvatore Subellie,
Salvadore Sabella

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(OO-Philadelphia)

Subject has been identified as a member of La Cosa Nostra by [redacted] He is believed to be dead. He is identical with SALVATORE SABELLA, FBI ID # 479 029. If living he would be approximately 74 years old.

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Subject's Identification Division record reflects he was fingerprinted as follows:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
PD, Phila., Pa.	Salvatore Sabella #56230	5/31/27	murder	
PD, Linden, N.J.	Salvatore Sabella #235	8/19/31	atro. A. and J. w/o bail B.	
Cent. Ident. Bu. Union Co., Elizabeth, N.J., #3012	Salvatore Sabella #J-8425, Union Co. Jail, Elizabeth, N.J.	8/19/31	atro. A. & B.	rel. in bail 8/22/31
Montgomery Co. Pr., Norristown, Pa.	Salvatore Sabella #---	3/29/35	vio. Liquor 3 mos. Laws	searched, indexed, filed
AR	Salvatore Sabella #5579668	alien reg 12/24/40		
PD Phila Pa	Salvatore Sabella #56230	9/10/43	larc of money no alien reg card	92-1377-8

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3-Philadelphia (92-1377)

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Leads

NEWARK:

AT LINDEN, N.J. AND
UNION CO. JAIL, ELIZABETH, N.J.

Obtain details of subject's arrest and all available information re his personal life.

PHILADELPHIA:

AT NORRISTOWN, PA.

Review records Montgomery County Prison and obtain all available information concerning subject's arrest and personal life.

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

1. Review INS records re subject, Alien Registration # 5579668, 12/24/40, and obtain all available information re his personal life.

2. Review records Philadelphia Police Department and obtain details of subject's arrest 9/10/43.

MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054)

DATE: OCT 28 1964

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1027)

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY
SINGLE FINGERPRINT
SECTION

SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA, aka.
AR - CONSPIRACY
PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

Re Philadelphia letter to Bureau 4/11/58, captioned
"PETER CASELLA, aka.; AR," OO: Philadelphia (BUfile 92-2707;
PHfile 92-452; Latent Case #14951).

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The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the fingerprints of the following persons, Cosa Nostra members, with the two latent prints submitted by the Philadelphia Police Department on 12/30/54:

[REDACTED]
CARMINE BATTAGLIA
FBI #320 981

MICHAEL CAMMAROTA
FBI #583 027

[REDACTED]
ANTHONY CAPONIGRO
FBI #352 717

ANGELO CILEONE
FBI #371 465

CHARLES COSTELLO
FBI #365 088

[REDACTED]
IGNAZIO DENARO
FBI #304 271 E

FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO
FBI #928 463

[REDACTED]
DOMINICK FESTA
FBI #118 230

[REDACTED]
ANTHONY MAGGIO
FBI #495 757

PASQUALE MASSI
FBI #336 243

FRANK MONTE
FBI #629 268 E

FRANK NARDUCCI
FBI #219 686 B

FRANK NICOLETTI
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LEONARD NICOLETTI
FBI #435 1888

DOMINICK OLIVETO
FBI #293 5549

FRANK PALERMO
FBI #626 755

JACK PARISI
FBI #244 372

ANTHONY PERELLA
FBI #180 4564

JOSEPH PICCOLO
FBI #277 347

NICHOLAS PICCOLO
FBI #448 5439

DOMINIC POLLINA
FBI #167 2301

HARRY RICCOBENE
FBI #470 924

SALVATORE SABELLI
FBI #479 029

GAETANO SCAFIDI
FBI #109 731

ROCCO SCAFIDI
FBI #344 695

SAM SCAFIDI
FBI #105 2629

JOHN SIMONE
FBI #355 389

PHILIP TESTA
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VINCENZO TURCO
FBI #853 296

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Informant on 10/12/64 furnished the following information:

SALVATORE SABELLA
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Informant was shown a photograph with Philadelphia PD number 56230 and the date of 9/10/43 appearing thereon. (This photograph was of SALVATORE SABELLA, 275 Main Street, Ambler, Pa.).

Informant immediately recognized the photograph and identified same as that of SAL SABELLA. He stated that SABELLA was formerly a partner in illegal alcohol with LITTLE HARRY RICCOBENE. SABELLA was formerly engaged in a lot of "shake-downs" with GAETANO SCAFIDI. SABELLA lived in Ambler, Pa., for a long time. He had a lung illness prior to his death. The

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IGNAZIO DENARO; 92-976
SKUTCHIE CHERICO; 92-1344

Informant was shown a photograph containing Philadelphia PD number 297591 dated 3/1/60. [redacted]

[redacted] Informant stated that he did not think the photo shown him was that of SKUTCHIE CHERICO previously described by informant. On this date the informant said that CHERICO was of very small stature, and that he weighed "120 pounds." He did, however, live formerly near 6th and Washington Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. CHERICO hung out in the past

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SKUTCHIE in the early thirties was believed to be related or married to a woman, name unknown. She was described as being small in stature like CHERICO. It was pointed out that she was "cheating" on CHERICO for which she was murdered. This murder was described as follows:

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The late GAETANO SCAFIDI owned a 1932 Buick. CHERICO was driving this car with [redacted] In the back seat was the late GAETANO SCAFIDI. He reached around and checked CHERICO's wife to death. The body was buried at an unknown location and apparently has not been found. CHERICO and his wife had no children known to the informant. Informant stated it is possible that CHERICO's wife could be buried in Rosenhayn, N. J., where the DOGGIE brothers and others have been buried.

In addition to the above-described murder of CHERICO's wife, informant furnished the following additional information:

In approximately 1931 or 1932, exact dates unrecalled, there were three brothers of Italian extraction who were "shaking down people." These three brothers were killed in the following fashion:

One of the brothers, names not recalled, were killed near 10th and Catharine Streets "near the convent." A short time after that the two other brothers were near Passyunk and Washington Avenue in Philadelphia. A fire alarm was pulled, and when the fire engines were going by, the noise from the engines was used as a cover to muffle the gun-shots which were fired. In this fashion, the two brothers were killed.

Informant stated that CHERICO and IGNAZIO DENARO committed these murders. PETER CASELLA, who was described as a nobody at the time, was said to have been standing on the corner. DENARO, when running from the scene, might have tripped by a witness. [redacted] It was recalled that DENARO stumbled on the railroad tracks on Washington Avenue. Two doors from the intersection was a club known as Bella Napoli, which was described as a "hang-out" for BIG NOSE JOHN AVENA who was then head of the racket activities in Philadelphia and a member of the Cosa Nostra. SKUTCHIE CHERICO and DENARO went to the club, apparently to establish an alibi or to seek cover. The owner of this club later moved to 11th and Christian Streets, which is the present location of the 500 Club operated by NICHOLAS and JOSEPH PICCOLO, and they are also known as the BUCK Brothers.

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[redacted] the murders of JOHN LERRO and his brothers-in-law, JOHN and JOSEPH MARRAZZO, which information is set out in file

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[redacted] The information was furnished by [redacted] (deceased), to SA [redacted] and should be reviewed by Agents handling DENARO and CHERICO to fully identify victims in the above-described scene).

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Informant advised that [redacted]

[redacted] obtained employment for ROCCO SCAFIDI, and ROCCO worked at Lits as a stock boy for a short period of time. [redacted]

Informant has previously furnished information about [redacted]

LA COSA NOSTRA,
CHESTER, PA.

Informant has previously identified individuals (deceased) in Chester, Pa., who he believed to be in the Cosa Nostra. He also stated in the past that he did not know but believed that individuals in the Cosa Nostra in Chester, Pa., would be under [redacted]

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In regard to Cosa Nostra activities in Chester, Pa., informant furnished the following information:

He pointed out that he did not know the present situation in Chester, Pa. He said that an individual identified as "STEVE BROWN" was found murdered in Chester, Pa. He said this murder was committed by the "boys" in Chester, and that BROWN (true name unknown to informant) was murdered because he was a "pimp." Informant stated [redacted]

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JOSEPH SCAFIDI; 92-1331
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Informant has previously stated that SAM SCAFIDI has been given invitations for Cosa Nostra members to attend the

[redacted] On 10/12/64 informant said that JOSEPH SCAFIDI, Capo, Cosa Nostra family in Philadelphia; Bridgeton - Vineland, N. J., area, was known to be coming to Philadelphia to pick up [redacted] SAM SCAFIDI, who was to address the invitations to [redacted] was not feeling well and apparently was unable to deliver them.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC (92-1487)

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

DATE: 10/22/64

SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA
MEMBERSHIP INDEX
AR - CONSPIRACY

Bureau, by airtel dated 10/20/64, pointed out a need for an informative index on La Cosa Nostra (LCN) members identified to date. Philadelphia file 92-1487 contains a sample copy of the type index card that will be used.

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1 - #3 Supervisor	1 - 92-1450	1 - 92-1361	1 - 92-1369
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1 - #5 Supervisor	1 - 92-1078	1 - 92-1344	1 - 92-1341
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An integral part of each index card will be a reasonably current photograph of subject.

IT WILL BE MOST IMPORTANT THAT THE FULL INDEXING OF ALL ALIASES IS MAINTAINED.

Regarding the content of information to be set forth on each card, all travel data should be included under the heading "Travel Habits." Criminal associates in other cities or areas should be listed under the heading "Criminal Associates," with appropriate city designated.

Under the "Characterization" heading, include information identifying the individual as a member of LCN, together with his position in a particular "family," setting forth the source, or sources, as shown on the sample card. These sources are to be appropriately concealed by the use of symbol numbers.

Under the "Family Background" heading, particular attention should be given to inclusion of relatives by blood or marriage who also have been identified as LCN members.

Under the "Criminal History" heading there should be a list of dangerous propensities, and affinity to particular weapons, if known.

There must be strict criteria for the listing of an individual as a member of LCN. Experience has shown that the only really authoritative sources for the purpose of determining membership are member-informants and well-placed highly confidential sources. There is no substitute for such sources. Therefore, this index will include only those individuals who have been reliably identified as members.

Reliable sources in Philadelphia are considered as follows:



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Each office will prepare individual cards on each LCN member identified to date, following the format of the sample card found in file 92-1487. Two copies of each card prepared are to be submitted to Bureau, together with your best available photo (negative not required). These index cards will be duplicated in

the Mechanical Section at the Bureau and thereafter distributed to all offices. The Bureau will furnish each office two copies of each index card in order that the cards can be filed both alphabetically and by office of origin. The master index will be maintained at the Bureau.

This index will be maintained by each office under full security, in a location readily accessible to agent personnel assigned to investigations involving leaders and members of LCN. This index is to be maintained for the use of Bureau personnel only, and these index cards are not to be exhibited to informants for the purpose of effecting identifications. Separate photographs should be maintained for such purposes. All offices are to be constantly aware that the sources of information set forth on these index cards are extremely sensitive, and such information is not to be furnished to anyone outside the Bureau. In addition, this index is to be maintained in such a way that unauthorized personnel will not have access to it.

It will be the responsibility of each office submitting cards to review each card submitted on a six-month basis to insure that the index is being maintained in a current status. Major additions, deletions or changes, as a result of such review, are to be brought to the Bureau's attention in order that a new card can be prepared, incorporating such adjustments.

Upon the death of an individual included in this index, the Bureau is to be promptly advised in order that the card involved can be marked "Deceased," and the card maintained in a "Deceased" section of the index.

Philadelphia Office is to immediately commence preparation of index cards on members of LCN identified to date, and for the purpose of uniformity the format of the sample card must be adhered to precisely. The submission of these index cards by each office will be followed closely at the Bureau to insure that steady progress is maintained in the compilation of this membership index.

Each agent to whom LCN membership 92 master files assigned to, should immediately institute preparation of the above-described index cards.

The LCN Membership Index in the Philadelphia Office will be maintained by SA [redacted] along with the Criminal Informant files, under full security. Clerk [redacted] will handle the clerical functions attendant thereto. The supervision of this index will be under Supervisor, Squad #3. b6 b7C

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-1377)

DATE: 11/10/64

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: SALVATORE SABELLI, aka
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Salvadore Sabella
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(OO:Philadelphia)

Re Philadelphia letter to Newark, 10/20/64.

Referenced letter requested Philadelphia to review records regarding subject which are on file at Montgomery County Prison.

On 10/3/64, Warden [REDACTED] Montgomery County Prison, Norristown, Pa., advised as follows:

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SALVATORE SABELLA, aka SALVADORE SABELLA, 5 Broad Street, Levittown, Pa., entered the prison on 3/29/35 after being sentenced to serve three months for manufacturing and distilling alcohol without a permit (two counts) and conspiracy.

Background information on file reflects [REDACTED] Subject was born 11/21/90 and his occupation was listed as butcher. He claimed to have six children but the names of the children were not recorded on prison records. He was described as age 44 (1935), white male, 5'6", 157 pounds, medium build, scars and marks, scar on left side of stomach which is result of operation.

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While in prison, SABELLA was visited by his wife and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The date of this individual's visit to the prison was recorded as 4/10/35.

[REDACTED] said true bill was returned by Montgomery County Grand Jury on 1/31/35 relating to this case.

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SABELLA entered a not guilty plea on 3/4/35 and was afforded a trial and found guilty as charged on 3/29/35. The case was Number 17, November Term 1934.

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SALVATORE SABELLA, aka
Salvatore Sabelli,
Salvatore Sabellie,
Salvadore Sabella
AR
OO: PHILADELPHIA

ReBulet 7/24/64 captioned "La Cosa Nostra; AR -
Conspiracy."

SALVATORE SABELLI mentioned in reBulet is identical
with captioned subject.

State of Pennsylvania Bureau of Vital Statistics
records reflect subject died on 1/14/62.

Investigation being conducted in an effort to develop
additional background re subject. A report will be submitted.

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**REPORT**

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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

YOUR FILE NO. 92-1027
 FBI FILE NO. 92-6054
 LATENT CASE NO. 43841

November 18, 1964

to: SAC, Philadelphia

RE: LA COSA NOSTRA, AKA;
 AR - CONSPIRACY
 PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

REFERENCE: Letter 10-28-64
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Philadelphia
 SPECIMENS:

The latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unsub.;
 Marshall Veneziale - Victim, December 17, 1954; Murder,"
 Bufile #32-19873, are not identical with the fingerprints of the
 forty-seven named suspects.

This supplements Latent Fingerprint Section report
 dated November 4, 1964.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC (92-1027)

DATE: 12/1/64

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA;
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On 10/28/64, SA [REDACTED] reviewed clippings in the library of the Philadelphia Inquirer regarding various gang killings in South Philadelphia in the late 1920's and early 1930's. *rough* *uncut*

The bulk of the information concerned a shooting at 8th and Christian Streets on Memorial Day 1927 when two young men named ZANGHI and COCCOZZA were shot by persons in a car on Christian Street.

The central figure in all of the clippings was one MUSKY ZANGHI, who was at that time a prominent gangster, while it appeared that such persons as JOHN SCOPOLETTI, DOMINICK FESTA, etc., were then relatively unknown. It was generally conceded in the newspapers that the killing was actually an attempt to get MUSKY ZANGHI, [REDACTED]

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1 - 92-1449 (AVENA)
1 - 92-1332 (SANTO ROMEO)
1 - 92-1375 (SAMUEL ROMEO)
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shot by mistake, and COCCOZZA, a friend of young ZANGHI, was unfortunate enough to be present.

Those arrested were JOHN SCOPOLETTI, DOMINICK FESTA, [REDACTED] DOMINICK POLLINA, JOHN AVENA, and SALVATORE SABELLA.

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The principal witnesses for the prosecution were MUSKY ZANGHI and [REDACTED] named [REDACTED] who was an [REDACTED] and whom ZANGHI managed. After the trials [REDACTED] was kept in protective custody for some time, and [REDACTED]

JOHN SCOPOLETTI, who was represented by Attorney [REDACTED] testified that he was not in the car, but apparently was somewhere in the neighborhood. He said that he took a trolley from Christian Street north to Market Street, a bus from there to his home, and later in the day was arrested at the grocery store of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SCOPOLETTI testified in open court that he was a bootlegger, and that his partner was DOMINICK POLLINA. He said that during the day he was busy delivering bootleg liquor to customers.

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DOMINICK FESTA was 31 years old in 10/27, and then lived on Bainbridge Street near 11th Street. He admitted that he was a bootlegger. He said that he spent Memorial Day 1927

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at the store of his uncle, MIKE ROMEO, 1357 Passyunk Avenue, and about 8:00 p.m. went to [redacted] grocery store, 2025 South 11th Street, where he was arrested. He claimed to be a salesman of oil and cheese, but his employer was not named. It is noted that the father of SAMUEL [redacted] ROMEO, according to birth records, [redacted] and possibly FESTA's uncle is identical to the father of [redacted] ROMEOs.

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In his testimony at the coroner's hearing, MUSKY ZANGHI [redacted]

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In the trial of JOHN SCOPOLETTI, ZANGHI testified that SCOPOLETTI drove the car, [redacted] and FESTA were in the car with him. He said that AVENA, POLLINA, and SABELLA fired from the sidewalk. He also said that POLLINA and AVENA approached him on foot, and as the car swung around the corner from 8th Street onto Christian, ZANGHI ran into a barber shop on 8th Street a couple doors below Christian Street.

[redacted] testified that MUSKY ZANGHI ran into the barber shop at [redacted] after the shooting, and that she thought he had been shot.

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[redacted] identified SCOPOLETTI as the driver of the car, and said that FESTA, sitting beside [redacted] in the car, had a shotgun.

Each defendant was tried separately in order to avoid the risk of losing convictions in a mass trial, and only [redacted] was convicted. He was found guilty of murder in the first degree. MUSKY ZANGHI had testified at the various trials that DOMINICK FESTA, JOHN NAZONE (AVENA), JOHN SCOPOLETTI, [redacted] and SALVATORE SABELLA killed his brother JOSEPH and JOSEPH's friend, VINCENT COCCOZZA.

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ZANGHI was killed in New York City in 8/34. In 7/35 one [redacted] who was scheduled for electrocution three

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days later, submitted an affidavit that MUSKY ZANGHI had framed [redacted]. This statement was the basis of [redacted] appeal and his request for a pardon, which was later granted. In this connection, a clipping was noted to the effect that on 10/28/28 MUSKY ZANGHI shot one ANTHONY DENNI on the southwest corner of 8th and Christian Streets. It was speculated that this shooting was in reprisal for DENNI's testimony at some previous time to the effect that ZANGHI had conspired to kill ANTHONY DENNI's brother, who was not named.

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Other killings of interest concerning which reports were found, include the following:

On 11/14/27, WILLIAM JACOVINO was found on the floor of M. Maggio and Company, 918 South 9th Street, having been shot by a shotgun. He died without regaining consciousness, and a warrant was issued for his employer, GUISEPPE MAGGIO, who had disappeared. Subsequently, it was reported that JACOVINO had tried to shake down his employer.

On 7/4/28 one GEORGE CATANIA, 7008 Wayne Avenue, Bywood, was shot at Christian Street and Passyunk Avenue from a passing car containing four men. Somebody in the car beckoned to CATANIA, who was shot as he started toward the car. This was believed to have been connected with the shooting on 5/30/27, but the connection was not explained.

On 3/14 (believed 1933), JOSEPH MARAZZO, age 22, and his brother JOHN, age 18, were shot and killed at Washington and Passyunk Avenues. The sound of gunfire was drowned out by sirens from passing fire engines answering what turned out to be a false alarm.

On 4/17/33, ANTHONY SCHIAVO, 1218 South 15th Street, brother of [redacted] two boys killed in March, was fatally shot on his doorstep from a passing car.

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On 8/25/33 JOHN LERRO was shot and killed while sitting on the steps of his home, 1025 Montrose Street, from a passing car. He was hit with seven slugs from a machine gun. LERRO was the [redacted] mother of JOSEPH

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and JOHN. A revolver used by one [redacted] in the killing of ORLANDO DE TULLIO on 7/16/32 at 8th and Christian Streets, was traced to JOHN LERRO.

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On 1/29/33 [redacted] of 11th Street near Christian, was in a car which exchanged shots with another car at 11th and Carpenter Streets. This was discovered when a police officer found [redacted] which had a flat tire, and examination showed a machine gun slug in the tire.

[redacted] named one JOSEPH RUSSO as the killer of JOHN LERRO. On 9/6/34 ALBERT MARAZZO was shot and killed in the driveway of his apartment at 748 South 10th Street. On 11/26/35, [redacted] a friend of ALBERT MARAZZO, was kidnapped from the steps of his home, 1417 South 13th Street, was shot, and thrown from a car in Camden, N. J., but lived.

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[redacted] of the various executed MARAZZOs, was quoted in a writeup as saying that the "Mano Nera" had wiped out her family.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1377)

DATE: 12/2/64

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (92-1986) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SALVATORE SABELLI, aka
AR
(OO: PHILADELPHIA)

Re Philadelphia letter to Newark dated 10/20/64.

Records of the Linden, N.J., P.D., checked on
10/23/64, by IC [redacted] contained the following
information:

SALVATORE SABELLA, Linden, N.J., P.D., number 235,
105 Roebling Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., was arrested by the
Linden P.D. on 8/19/31, for A and B with auto. The complainant
was [redacted] He was turned over to the Union County
Sheriff on 8/19/31, which held him for the Grand Jury. He
was released on bail on 8/22/31.

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The records of the Union County Sheriff, Elizabeth,
N.J., were checked by IC [redacted] on 10/26/64, under Union
County Identification Number 3012. These records reflected
that SABELLI was given a suspended sentence on 2/19/32.

The Union County Identification records contained
the following description of subject:

Name	SALVATORE SABELLI
Sex	Male
Color	White
Born	2/21/91, in Italy
Height	5'5 3/4"
Weight	157 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Black-gray
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium
Occupation	Butcher
FBI Number	479029
Residence	105 Roebling Street Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Indices of the Newark Office contain no information on subject.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-1377)

DATE: 12/3/64

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SALVATORE SABELLA
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SE [REDACTED] determined on 10/27/64 through liaison with [REDACTED] Clerk, District Records Section, INS, Philadelphia, Pa., that Alien Registration File A-5,579,668, concerning SALVATORE SABELLA, 132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa., reflected the following:

✓ DOB - 10/21/91, Castellamore di Golfo, Trupani, Italy.

Entered U. S. as a stowaway on unknown vessel at New York City in October 1912.

✓ Resided in 1940 at 275 North Main Street, Ambler, Pa.
Resided in 1943 at 294 North Spring Garden Street, Ambler, Pa.

✓ Engaged as storekeeper, self employed in cigar store at 929 South 8th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Also operated meat market at Ambler, Pa., 1940-1946.

Family:-

✓ *✓ GALANTE*
Wife: MARIA, nee VALANTI, born 11/26/01, Italy.
Married in Philadelphia, Pa., on 1/20/19 (Certificate of Marriage #396205, issued at Philadelphia).

Children: (All U. S. born citizens)

✓ ROSA, born October 1919, Philadelphia, Pa.
✓ JENNIE, born January 1921, Philadelphia, Pa.
✓ JOHN, born 11/2/22, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Arrests: Arrested in connection with a raid on 2/20/40 at 929 South 8th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., a location suspected of being headquarters of a "numbers" syndicate. Discharged at hearing on 2/28/40 before Magistrate [redacted] Central Mag. Court, City Hall.

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Other arrests:-

- ✓ 1. Atro. assault and battery, 8/19/31, New Jersey - released.
- ✓ 2. Liquor violation, 3/29/35, Pa., three months.
- ✓ 3. Larceny, 9/10/43, Philadelphia, discharged.
4. Disorderly conduct, 12/13/44, Philadelphia, \$7.50 fine.
- ✓ 5. Voluntary manslaughter, 7/10/08, Trapani, Italy - sentenced three years, four months imprisonment.

✓ Questioned by INS 8/6/54 in connection with possible denaturalization proceedings against STEFANO MAGGADINO at Buffalo, N. Y., in connection with New York arrest for murder. Subject could furnish no info re alleged criminal activities of MAGGADINO.

✓ *During interview it was learned Marybelle is a cousin of Maggadino.*
Subject unemployed as of 1957.

✓ Was in very poor health, had chronic fibrosis of right lung and was institutionalized for mental condition in 1957. Under care of [redacted]
[redacted]

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Subject investigated for possible deportation in connection with previous crime in Italy for which he had served prison sentence. No deportation proceedings instituted due to his poor health, family and long residence in U. S.

On 4/26/62 [redacted]

[redacted] advised INS, Philadelphia, that subject, her [redacted] died 1/14/62.

*Murdered
Stefano Maggadino
in Trapani in 1905
died from
asthma near
Milan Italy*

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✓ IC [] determined at the Philadelphia Police Department 10/21/64 that their records under Philadelphia PD number 56230, FBI number 479 029, reflect a person named SALVATORE SUBELLI, aka SALVATORE SABELLA, SALVATORE SABELLO, SALVADORE SABELLA, of 815 Dickinson Street, Philadelphia, Pa., was arrested by Det. [] and Det. [] at Broad and South Penn Square, on 9/10/43. He was charged with larceny of money and no alien registration card. (Warrant). Defendant did steal sum of \$830 by trick which took place at 8th and Montrose Streets. Complainant was [] SABELLA was brought before Magistrate [] He was indicted November 1943 under Bills 443 and 444. He was tried 2/16/44. This action was nolle prossed and defendant was discharged by Judge []

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✓ IC [] determined on 10/27/64 that SALVATORE SUBELLI (same person as above), who resided at #3 Texas Avenue, Glanside, Pa., was arrested by the 6th District, Philadelphia Police Department, on 5/30/27. He was charged with the murder by shooting of JOSEPH ZANGHI and VINCENT COCOZZA. SUBELLI passed by in his automobile and went in front of 822 South 8th Street and shot and killed the two men previously mentioned. His associates and co-defendants in this murder action were DOMINICK FESTA, PD number 34430, [] [] JOHN SCOPOLETTI, PD number 74786, [] and JOHN AVENA. SUBELLI was brought before Magistrate [] He was indicted in May 1927 under Bills 1528 to 1531. He was tried 3/7/33 and was found not guilty - submitted - direction of court. Discharged by Judge []

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: DEC 4 1964

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1027)
SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA
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[redacted] was recontacted on 11/17/64. It is pointed out that this informant is [redacted]

The informant furnished the following information:

As best he could recall, in approximately 1952 there were six Caporegimas in the Philadelphia area. His recollection was that at that time the Caporegimas were as follows - and where he recalled members under the control of these Caporegimas they are being set forth under the name of that Caporegima :

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1 - 92-838	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1211	(ANDREW JOHN AVELLINO)
1 - 92-1449	(JOHN AVENA)
1 - 92-1426	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1357	(CARMEN BATTAGLIA)
1 - 92-1472	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-444	(ANGELO BRUNO)
1 - 92-1359	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1360	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1345	(MICHAEL CAMMAROTA)
1 - 92-1143	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-519	(ANTONIO ROCCO CAPONIGRO)
1 - 92-1141	(JOHN CAPPELLO)
1 - 92-522	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-452	(PETER CASELLA)
1 - 92-1160	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1344	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1362	(ANGELO CILEONE)
1 - 92-1140	(CHARLES I. COSTELLO)
1 - 92-919	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1452	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1343	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1351	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-976	(IGNAZIO DE NARO)
1 - 92-451	(FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO)
1 - 92-1172	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1092	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1060	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1363	(DOMINICK FESTA)
1 - 92-1342	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1489	(LEONARD GALANTE)
1 - 92-1350	[REDACTED]
1 - 92-1339	(SAM GIOE)
1 - 92-1340	[REDACTED]

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1 - 92-474	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1064	(ALFREDO IEZZI)	
1 - 92-1178	(CARL IPPOLITO)	
1 - 92-1385	(FREDERICO LAGANA)	
1 - 92-1386	[REDACTED]	b6
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1 - 92-1190	[REDACTED]	
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1 - 92-1142	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1068	(FRANK NARDUCCI)	
1 - 92-1075	(FRANK NICOLETTI)	
1 - 92-1412	(LEONARD NICOLETTI)	
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1 - 92-1078	(PETER MAGGIO)	
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1 - 92-1349	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1477	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1079	(PASQUALE A. MASSI)	
1 - 92-1067	(FRANK J. MONTE)	
1 - 92-473	[REDACTED]	b6
1 - 92-1453	[REDACTED]	b7C
1 - 92-975	(FRANK PALERMO)	
1 - 92-440	(JACK PARISI)	
1 - 92-1335	(ANTHONY PERELLA)	
1 - 92-1334	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1333	(JOSEPH PICCOLO)	
1 - 92-1450	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1069	(NICHOLAS PICCOLO)	
1 - 92-1372	(DIMETRI PINESTRI)	
1 - 92-445	(ANTONIO DOMINIC POLLINA)	
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1 - 92-1348	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1374	(MARCO REGINELLI)	
1 - 92-1454	(HARRY RICCOBENE)	
1 - 92-1070	(MARIO RICCOBENE)	
1 - 92-1375	(SAMUEL ROMEO)	
1 - 92-1332	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1376	(JIMMY ROSE)	
1 - 92-448	(JOSEPH RUGNETTA)	
1 - 92-1377	(SALVATORE SABELLI)	
1 - 92-1177	(FRANK SANSONE)	
1 - 92-1378	(PAUL SAVARESE)	
1 - 92-1379	(GAETANO SCAFIDI)	
1 - 92-1331	(JOSEPH SCAFIDI)	
1 - 92-1316	(ROCCO SCAFIDI)	
1 - 92-1330	(SALVATORE SCAFIDI)	
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1 - 92-1382	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1498	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1380	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1021	(JOHN JAMES SIMONE)	
1 - 92-1072	(FRANK SINDONE)	
1 - 92-450	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1162	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1073	(PHILIP TESTA)	
1 - 92-1381	(SALVATORE TESTA)	
1 - 92-1496	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1329	[REDACTED]	
1 - 92-1074	(VINCENZO TURCO)	
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1. GAETANO (BIG TOM) SCAFIDI (dead).

Members under SCAFIDI were as follows:

NINO CALIO (dead)

MICHAEL MAGGIO (dead)

HARRY RICCOBENE

PAUL SAVARESE (dead)

JOSEPH SCAFIDI

SALVATORE TESTA (dead)

SALVATORE SCAFIDI (concerning SALVATORE SCAFIDI whom he identified as being the individual who resides in Pennsylvania, he said that it was a shame that this person had ever been made a member of the organization and that if his father had lived, and his wishes carried out, he would not have become a member).

2. JOSEPH RUGNETTA - "JOE THE BOSS"

The following individuals were believed to be members under RUGNETTA:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

ANGELO CILEONE (dead)

[REDACTED]

FREDERICO LAGANA

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Only member known as possibly being under [redacted]
was furnished as his [redacted]

4. IGNAZIO DE NARO (reportedly current under-boss)

A possible member under DE NARO was identified as FRANK NICOLETTI. NICOLETTI was said to be an old time member, however, he was not positive he was under DE NARO.

5. "CHEECH" (dead)

The above name was said to be a nickname for a person with the first name FRANK. The last name of this Caporegima was unknown, however, he was said to control a group in the Bridgeton-Vineland area of New Jersey.

A member under "CHEECH" was identified as TONY PERELLA of Vineland, N. J.

6. DIMETRI PINESTRI (dead)

The above person was said to be in the Chester, Pa. area and was believed to have as members under his control:



He was not positive that [redacted] was under the control of PINESTRI.

In connection with the above it is pointed out that time did not permit going into further detail with the informant and it

is not suggested that the above listed individuals are all of the members possibly known to the informant to be under the control of the then Caporegimas.

The informant pointed out in connection with identifying the various Caporegimas and some of the members that it has been the custom for a great many years that a boss in the organization inherits usually a certain number of soldiers from the prior boss. There is no set number of soldiers attached to a boss, and the number will vary according to the number that happened to exist in a particular area. These are usually individuals who for some reason the boss or prior boss has felt could not get along well under various Caporegimas, and they therefore were attached directly to the boss for convenience. This was also true in connection with under-bosses.

At the time of the above (approximately 1952), MARCO REGINELLI, of Camden, N. J. (deceased), was believed to have the following individuals directly under his control:

[REDACTED]
PETER CASELLA

"SKUTCHIE" CHERICO (dead)

FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO

JOSEPH LANCIANO

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[REDACTED]
SAMUEL ROMEO (dead)

JIMMY ROSE (dead)

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The following individuals were identified by the informant as being members of this organization, however, he did not know the Caporegimas to whom they were assigned:

SAM GIOE

[REDACTED]

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JOSEPH GIRGENTI (dead)

[REDACTED]

ALFREDO IEZZI

JOSEPH LAGANA

LEONARD NICOLETTI

JOHN JAMES SIMONE

PHILIP TESTA

JOHN CAPPELLO (heard this individual was a member but is not positive as he was not introduced to him as such): Stated CAPPELLO's father was a very good man, however, the father is dead.

JOSEPH PICCOLO

SALVATORE SABELLI (dead - a former boss)

As of approximately the same time, the following individuals were to the best of the informant's knowledge, not members of the organization:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
ALFONSO MAIORIELLO

FRANK MONTE

FRANK PALERMO (informant was amused at the thought that PALERMO could be a member and said that he could think of dozens of reasons why PALERMO could never become a member) b6 b7C

FRANK SANSONE (believed to be dead)
[REDACTED]

The informant did not know if the following individuals are members. He pointed out that this does not mean that they are not members, or that they were not members, as of the date he is discussing, namely approximately 1952, since he knew many members by either sight or by nicknames. The persons listed are as follows:

[REDACTED]
ANDREW JOHN AVELLINO

[REDACTED]
CARMEN BALLEGLIA

[REDACTED]
MICHAEL CAMMAROTA

ANTONIO CAPONIGRO
[REDACTED]

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CHARLES COSTELLO

[REDACTED]

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LEONARD GALANTE

JAMES GATTO (close associate of JOE RUGNETTA -
could be a member)

[REDACTED]

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CARL IPPOLITO

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FRANK NARDUCCI

JOSEPH MAGGIO

PETER MAGGIO

[REDACTED]

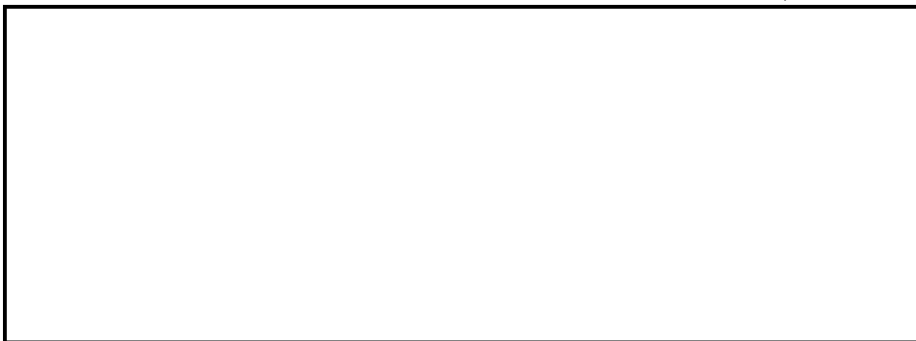
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ROCCO SCAFIDI (doubts that ROCCO SCAFIDI would be acceptable as a member, however, this is possible since the current trend seems to be to lower standards for admission.)

SALVATORE SCAFIDI (New Jersey)



Informant said he had never heard of a member in this area or otherwise known by a nickname or name that sounded like



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The informant also commented concerning the following individuals who have been considered as possible members: FRANKIE CARBO according to some sources is a member, however, informant does not have positive information.

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JACK PARISI from upstate Pennsylvania, reportedly one time fugitive from New York City area, was said to be possibly a member although he did not have positive information. He added that if PARISI is a member, he was probably made in Europe prior to coming to this country.

MARIO RICCOBENE was said to be definitely not a member and that his half-brother, HARRY RICCOBENE, a member, is violently opposed to MARIO becoming a member.

FRANK SINDONE, who is said to be close to being a member, but to the best of the informant's knowledge has not been "made."

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The informant does not have positive information concerning the following, however, he says he has heard that ANGELO BRUNO is currently the boss of the organization, that IGNAZIO DE NARO is the

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under-boss, and JOE RUGNETTA is the counselor.

The following individuals, who are dead, were said to have been members:

JOHN AVENA was identified as a former boss, and DOMENICK FESTA from Chester, Pa., as a former under-boss.

JOE IDA was identified as a former boss, who is currently in Italy.

Due to time limitations and conditions existing in connection with the interview, it was not possible to go into further detail concerning the above, however, efforts will be made to obtain some additional details on the next contact.

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Will attempt to obtain identifying information concerning

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At Philadelphia, Pa.

Will also attempt to identify

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, (92-1377)

DATE: 12/11/64

FROM : IC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SALVATORE SABELLA
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On 12/11/64, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the death certificate of SALVATORE SABELLA reflects the following information.

Certificate Number	-	8910-62
Filing date	-	1/15/62
Date of Death	-	1/14/62
Place of Death	-	Phila., Phila. Co., Pa.
Cause of Death	-	Chronic Myocarditis, due to Pulmonary Emphysema, due to Chronic Bronchitis.
Age at Death	-	70 years
Date of Birth	-	7/3/91
Place of Birth	-	Italy
U.S. Citizen	-	Not Known
Residence at time of death	-	32 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.
Undertaker	-	[REDACTED] Ambler, Pa.
Wife	-	MARIA SABELLA, 32 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.
Father	-	JOHN SABELLA, (No other data reflected)
Occupation of SALVATORE SABELLA	-	Wholesaler

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In addition to the above information, [REDACTED] advised that SALVATORE SABELLA died at the Chestnut Hill Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

No other information reflected by death record.

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SALVATORE SABELLA
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Edward D. Hegarty dated February 9, 1965, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, captioned as above.

The following are characterizations of the informants utilized in referenced report:

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PH T-2

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The title has been marked "Changed" to include the additional aliases of subject, DON TURIDDU, SALVATORE SABELLO and DON TERUDIE, developed at Philadelphia.

REFERENCE

Philadelphia letter to Newark dated 10/20/64. (Inter-office)

Philadelphia letter to Director dated 12/10/64.
Newark letter to Philadelphia dated 12/2/64.

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Philadelphia letter to Director dated 1/11/65.

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setting forth characterizations of informants utilized herein.

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Information copy of this report is being sent to the Buffalo Division because INS records reflect subject's wife, MARIA SABELLA, nee GALANTE, [REDACTED]

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It is also noted that MARIA SABELLA's brother, LEONARD GALANTE, Philadelphia, Pa., is a member of the Philadelphia "family" of "La Cosa Nostra," according to [REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Information reflecting the association of SALVATORE SABELLA under the alias of "DON TERUDIE" with ANGELO BRUNO has previously been reported under Bureau case "ANGELO BRUNO, aka; AR; OO Philadelphia," (BUfile 92-2717). On 2/24/64 a "dead file" was opened on SALVATORE SABELLI and information obtained from Philadelphia informants concerning him was channelized therein. Subsequently, active investigation was initiated when it was determined that SALVATORE SABELLA, aka Salvatore Sabelli and Don Terudie, etc., was a member of the Philadelphia "family" of "La Cosa Nostra." Submission of a report re subject was delayed until SALVATORE SABELLA's identity was clearly established and his "La Cosa Nostra" membership was clearly confirmed.

While this matter will hereafter be in a "Closed" status, Philadelphia will continue its interest in developing additional positive information regarding the extent of SABELLA's association with "La Cosa Nostra" inasmuch as it would appear that he quite possibly was a "Boss" prior to the Memorial Day murders committed in 1927.

INFORMANTS

PH T-1:

PH [REDACTED]

contacted by either SA [REDACTED]
or SA [REDACTED]

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PH T-2:

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[REDACTED] who was contacted while living

by SA [REDACTED]

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

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Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania ^{b6}
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Date: February 9, 1965

Field Office File #: 92-1377

Bureau File #: 92-8030

Title: SALVATORE SABELLA

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

SALVATORE SABELLA, who was also known as Salvatore Sabelli, Salvatore Sabellie, Salvatore Sabello, Salvatore Sabella, Salvatore Subelli, Don Terudie, and Don Turiddu, was born at Castellamare del Golfo, Trapani (Sicily), Italy on 10/21/91, according to INS records. His date of birth has also been recorded as 11/21/90, 2/21/91, 10/7/91 and 7/3/91, according to various records located. He was wed to MARIA GALANTE, sister of LEONARD GALANTE and [REDACTED] on 1/20/19. From this union six children were born. At the time of his marriage, he resided at 631 Catharine Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and at death he resided 132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa. Additional residences recorded for subject are also set out. SABELLA did not acquire United States citizenship. He entered the United States from Italy in October 1912 as a stowaway. In 1954 he was considered eligible for deportation by INS but was not deported because of his age, family and poor health. SABELLA died on 1/14/62 as a result of chronic myocarditis. SABELLA's criminal history, including known details of an arrest and conviction for voluntary manslaughter, which crime occurred in 1905 in Trapani (Sicily), Italy, are set out as well as known details of his arrest and subsequent acquittal for his alleged participation in the sensational double murders which occurred on Memorial Day 1927 at 8th and Christian Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., for which "La Cosa Nostra" member [REDACTED] was convicted and imprisoned. PH T-1 has identified SALVATORE SABELLA, also known as Don Turiddu, of Ambler, Pa., as a member of the Philadelphia "family" of "La Cosa Nostra." SABELLA's known alias and

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Synopsis: (Cont'd)

telephone number were found among ANGELO BRUNO's personal possessions by the Philadelphia Police Department on 3/22/61. Characterizations of SABELLA's known associates are set out herein. SABELLA's FBI Identification Division record and a composite description of him are also set out herein.

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Details:

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

1. Birth

Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) file #A,5,579,668 reflects SALVATORE SABELLA was born at Castellamare del Golfo, Trapani (Sicily), Italy on October 21, 1891. His father is recorded as GIOVANNI and his mother as ROSA.

On October 3, 1964, Warden [redacted]

advised SA [redacted]

[redacted] that prison records concerning SALVATORE or SALVADORE SABELLA reflect he was born November 21, 1890.

On October 23, 1964, IC [redacted] reviewed the records of the Linden, New Jersey, Police Department which records reflect SALVATORE SABELLA, Linden, N.J., Police Department #235 was born February 21, 1891, in Italy.

On January 27, 1965, the Philadelphia County Marriage License Application #396 205 for SALVATORE SABELLA and MARIA GALANTE was reviewed. This record reflects SALVATORE SABELLA's birth date as October 7, 1891.

On December 12, 1964, the State of Pennsylvania Death Certificate #8910-62 concerning SALVATORE SABELLA was reviewed. SABELLA's date of birth was recorded as July 3, 1891.

2. Marital Status

INS file #A,5,579,668 reflects SALVATORE SABELLA was wed on January 20, 1919, at Philadelphia, Pa., to MARIA VALANTE.

The above INS file also reflects that as of 1959, SABELLA's wife, MARIA SABELLA, resided at 132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.

SA [redacted] learned on October 3, 1964, that SALVATORE SABELLA, who entered Montgomery County Prison, Norristown, Pa., on March 29, 1935, had a wife whose name was MARIE.

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IC [redacted] on January 27, 1965, reviewed Philadelphia County Marriage License Duplicate #396 205 which reflected that the [redacted] certified that he married SALVATORE SABELLA and MARIA GALANTE on January 20, 1919, at Philadelphia, in accordance with the license issued by the Clerk of Orphan's Court.

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Marriage License Application #396 205 contains the following statement made by SALVATORE SABELLA:

"White, no relationship between parties, occupation-butcher, residence 631 Catharine Street, born Italy, October 7, 1891, never married before, father-GIOVANNI SABELLO, mother-ROSA SABELLO (maiden name not listed). Residence of father-deceased; residence of mother-as above; father and mother-white; occupation of father-dead; occupation of mother-housewife; father and mother born in Italy."

The application also contains the following statement made by MARIA GALANTE:

"White, occupation-house work; residence-631 Catharine Street; born-Italy, November 6, 1901; never married before; father-LEONARDO GALANTE; mother-GIOVANNA NAPOLI; residence of father and mother-same; father and mother-white; occupation of father-Mariner; occupation of mother-housewife; father and mother born in Italy."

The above marriage license application was "Sworn and subscribed January 4, 1919," and was signed by [redacted] Assistant Clerk of Orphan's Court." The written consent of LEONARDO GALANTE for his daughter to marry was also contained on this marriage application because MARIA GALANTE was 17 years of age.

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3. Children

INS Alien Registration file #A,5,579,668, which was assigned to SALVATORE SABELLA, 132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa., reflects SABELLA and his wife, MARIA, had the following

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children, all of whom were born in the United States:

SABELLA
ROSA, born October 1919,
Philadelphia, Pa.;

GENNIE, born January 1921,
Philadelphia, Pa.;

JOHN, born November 2, 1922,
Philadelphia, Pa.;



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4. Residences

INS Alien Registration file #A,5,579,668 reflects
SALVATORE SABELLA had the following residences:

1940 275 North Main Street
 Ambler, Pa.

1943 294 North Spring Garden Street
 Ambler, Pa.

1957 (or earlier)
 132 Greenwood Avenue
 Ambler, Pa.

Philadelphia Police Department records reflect
SALVATORE SABELLA had the following residences:

1927 3 Texas Avenue,
 Glenside, Pa.

1943 815 Dickinson Street
 Philadelphia, Pa.

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The records of the Linden, N.J., Police Department reflect that SALVATORE SABELLA had the following residence:

1931 105 Roebling Street
 Brooklyn, New York

Records of the Montgomery County Prison, Norristown, Pa., reflected SALVATORE SABELLA had the following residence:

1935 5 Broad Street
 Levittown, Pa.

5. Citizenship

It has been reported herein before that SALVATORE SABELLA was born in the Sicilian province of Trapani, Italy, in 1891.

INS Alien Registration file #A,5,579,668 concerning SALVATORE SABELLA was reviewed on October 27, 1964, by SE [redacted] file was made available by [redacted] Clerk, District Records Section, INS, Philadelphia, Pa. INS file reflects SABELLA entered the United States as a stowaway on an unknown vessel at New York City in October 1912. In 1954 he was found eligible for deportation for a crime involving moral turpitude prior to his entry into the United States. (Details of this crime are set out under Section "B" of this report.)

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During an interview with INS representatives on August 5, 1954, SALVATORE SABELLA admitted having murdered GAETANO GEORGIO in Italy in 1905.

Deportation proceedings were not instituted by INS because of SABELLA's age, his family and his poor health. His INS case was placed in a "Non-priority status."

6. Employment

INS file #A,5,579,668 reflects SALVATORE SABELLA was engaged as a storekeeper, self-employed, in a cigar store at 929 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. He also operated a meat market at Ambler, Pa., during the years 1940 to 1946. No employment was indicated for SALVATORE SABELLA since 1946.

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7. Illness and Death

INS Alien Registration file #A,5,579,668 reflects SALVATORE SABELLA was in very poor health, suffering from chronic fibrosis of the right lung and was institutionalized for a mental condition in 1957. He was under the care of [redacted]

The above file also reflects that on April 26, 1962, [redacted] no address given, daughter of SALVATORE SABELLA, advised INS that her father had died on January 14, 1962.

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On December 11, 1964, [redacted] Pennsylvania State Registrar, Harrisburg, Pa., advised [redacted] that the death certificate of SALVATORE SABELLA reflects the following information:

Certificate No.	8910-62
Filing Date	January 15, 1962
Date of Death	January 14, 1962
Place of Death	Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania
Cause of Death	Chronic Myocarditis, due to Pulmonary Emphysema, due to Chronic Bronchitis
Age at Death	70 years
Date of Birth	July 3, 1891
Place of Birth	Italy
United States Citizen	Not known
Residence at time of Death	32 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.
Undertaker	[redacted]
Wife	MARIA SABELLA, 32 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.
Father	JOHN SABELLA (No other data reflected)
Occupation of SALVATORE SABELLA	Wholesaler

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In addition to the above information, [redacted] advised that SALVATORE SABELLA died at the Chestnut Hill Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

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8. Aliases

Records of the Philadelphia Division of the FBI reflect SALVATORE SABELLA has also been referred to as:

DON TERUDIE,
DON TURIDDU,
SALVATORE SABELLI,
SALVATORE SUBELLI,
SALVATORE SABELLIE,
SALVADORE SABELLA,
SALVATORE SABELLO.

B. CRIMINAL HISTORY

1. In General

INS Alien Registration file #A,5,579,668 concerning SALVATORE SABELLA reflects SABELLA had the following arrests:

July 10, 1908

Voluntary manslaughter, Trapani (Sicily), Italy; sentenced to three years and four months imprisonment. Victim was GASTANO GEORGIO and crime occurred in 1905. SABELLA served prison sentence in a prison located near Milan, Italy. During an interview with INS representatives on August 5, 1954, SALVATORE SABELLA admitted that he had, in fact, murdered GASTANO GEORGIO, had been found guilty, and served a prison sentence in Italy for this crime.

August 19, 1931

Atrocious assault and battery, New Jersey -- released.

March 29, 1935

Liquor violation, Pennsylvania; three months.

February 20, 1940

Arrested in connection with a raid at 929 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia, Pa., a location suspected of

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being headquarters of a "numbers syndicate." Discharged at hearing on February 28, 1940, before Magistrate [redacted] Central Magistrates Court, City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.

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SABELLA was held by INS for failure to comply with the Alien Registration Act of 1940 but prosecution was declined by the United States Attorney.

September 10, 1943

Larceny, Philadelphia; discharged.

December 13, 1944

Disorderly conduct, Philadelphia; \$7.50 fine.

Under the date of February 15, 1940, [redacted] Acting Supervising Customs Agent, New York, advised the New York Office of the FBI of the following:

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"The former head man of Philadelphia is SALVATORE SABELLI, who now lives off the bounty of the Mafia. He is paid about \$200 a week as retirement income. He is described as 5'7", 160 pounds, 62 years, hair gray, married, daughter named MARY. SABELLI was demoted as boss because Memorial Day of 1928 he ordered a killing which was carried out in the daytime rather than at night and because SABELLI had planned it in a poor fashion. He was demoted for poor judgment and has been on the retirement list ever since. . . ."

PH T-2 advised on January 20, 1958, an individual named "PEPPELONGO" was killed by ANGELO BRUNO and PHILIP TESTA while FRANK NICOLETTI operated the getaway car.

On February 3, 1958, PH T-2 advised that PEPPELONGO's body was found on South Tenth Street near Carpenter Street, Philadelphia, Pa. PH T-2 also advised that SALVATORE SABELLA was a "boss" of the "organization" or the "Mafia" in the

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Philadelphia area but was said to have erred in judgment and was demoted from this position. PEPPERLONGO was killed, according to PH T-2, because he had alleged that SALVATORE SABELLA had had an affair with his wife and that FRANK NICOLETTI's wife had [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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PH T-2 advised on January 27, 1958, that SALVATORE SABELLI was actively engaged in loansharking. Informant also said "SABELLI" was at one time the "boss" of the "organization" but had made some mistakes in judgment and was reduced in rank to an ordinary member.

On April 15, 1958, PH T-2 advised that "many years ago," SALVATORE SABELLA was operating some sort of store, as was [REDACTED]. For some reason, SABELLA felt that [REDACTED] interfered with his operation. SABELLA arranged for HARRY RICCOBENE, PETER CASELLA and FELIX DE TULLIO and one other to visit [REDACTED]. This visit was made and [REDACTED] was informed that the "organization" desired him to go out of business. According to PH T-2, [REDACTED] refused to be frightened, told his visitors to leave and that if they returned he would shoot them as he had a gun and knew how to use it.

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SABELLA then took the matter up with MARCO REGINELLI who was then in power and MARCO instructed the men to let the matter lie dormant for a time. MARCO then personally visited [REDACTED]. The informant pointed out at this time that [REDACTED] had a great deal of respect for JOE IDA from New Brunswick, N.J. MARCO REGINELLI knew of this feeling and capitalized on it. He told [REDACTED] in a very tactful manner that he had discussed the matter with JOE IDA and that IDA was very desirous that [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] REGINELLI produced \$500 and gave it to [REDACTED] stating it was a gift of good will from IDA. As a result of this approach, [REDACTED] later closed the store as requested. On this occasion, PH T-2 advised that SABELLA resided somewhere in Ambler, Pa.

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2. Details of Known Arrests

May 30, 1927

On October 27, 1964, IC [REDACTED] determined that SALVATORE SABELLI, Philadelphia Police

Department #562 30, FBI Identification Division #479 029, who resided 3 Texas Avenue, Glenside, Pa., was arrested by the Sixth District, Philadelphia Police Department, on May 30, 1927. He was charged with the murder by shooting of JOSEPH ZANGHI and VINCENT COCOZZA. SUBELLI passed by in his automobile and went in front of 822 South Eighth Street and shot and killed the two men previously mentioned. His associates and co-defendants in this murder action were DOMINIC FESTA Philadelphia Police Department #34430.

[redacted]
[redacted] and JOHN AVENA. SUBELLI was brought before Magistrate [redacted]. He was indicted in May 1927 under Bills No. 1528 to 1531. He was tried March 7, 1933, and was found not guilty--submitted--direction of Court. He was discharged by Judge [redacted].

On February 7, 1958, [redacted] Clerk, Room 685, Clerk of Quarter Sessions Court, made available to SA [redacted] copies of Bills No. 1528 to 1531, May Session 1927, which reflected True Bills returned by the Grand Jury charging JOHN AVENA, [redacted] DOMINIC FESTA, SALVATORE SABELLA, [redacted] and DOMINIC POLLINA with the murders of VINCENT COCOZZA and JOSEPH ZANGHI on May 30, 1927, in the vicinity of 822 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

On December 1, 1964, SA [redacted] furnished the following information which was obtained by him through a review of clippings in the library of the "Philadelphia Inquirer" regarding various gang killings in South Philadelphia in the late 1920's and early 1930's:

The bulk of the information concerned a shooting at Eighth and Christian Streets on Memorial Day 1927 when two young men named ZANGHI and COCCOZZA were shot by persons in a car on Christian Street.

The central figure in all of the clippings was one MUSKY ZANGHI, who was at that time a prominent gangster. While it appeared that such persons as [redacted] DOMINICK FESTA, etc., were then relatively unknown. It was generally conceded in the newspapers that the killing was actually an attempt to get MUSKY ZANGHI, and that his younger brother was shot by mistake, and COCCOZZA, a friend of young ZANGHI, was unfortunate enough to be present.

Those arrested were [redacted] DOMINICK FESTA, [redacted] DOMINICK POLLINA, JOHN AVENA, and SALVATORE SABELLA.

The principal witnesses for the prosecution were MUSKY ZANGHI and a dancer named [redacted] and whom ZANGHI managed. After the trials, [redacted] was kept in protective custody for some time, [redacted]

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[redacted] who was represented by Attorney [redacted] testified that he was not in the car, but apparently was somewhere in the neighborhood. He said that he took a trolley from Christian Street north to Market Street, a bus from there to his home, and later in the day was arrested at the grocery store of [redacted] [redacted] testified in open court that his partner was DOMINICK POLLINA. He said that during the day he was busy delivering bootleg liquor to customers.

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[redacted] the only one who was convicted, said that he sold live chickens, and that his partner was a man named [redacted] nor could he remember [redacted]

It later developed that the store was located at [redacted] [redacted] also said that he had at one time had a candy store in West Chester, Pa., and had worked in the steel mills at Coatesville, Pa. He further testified that on the day in question, May 30, 1927, he was at [redacted] until 11:30 p.m., and was arrested there. The dippings were not clear on this point, but it is possible that all of the defendants, or at least five of them, were arrested at the same place.

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DOMINICK FESTA was 31 years old in October 1927, and then lived on Bainbridge Street near 11th Street. He admitted that he was a bootlegger. He said that he spent Memorial Day 1927, at the store [redacted]

[redacted] where he was arrested. He claimed to be a salesman of oil and cheese, but his employer was not named. It is noted that the father of SAMUEL [redacted] according to birth records, was [redacted] and possibly FESTA's uncle is identical to the father of [redacted]

In his testimony at the coroner's hearing, MUSKY ZANGHI identified all of the defendants as having been present at the killing, but said that one JOSEPH AIDA, whose name was also spelled in other clippings as IDA, of 15th Street near Johnson, was not involved in the shooting.

In the trial of [] ZANGHI testified that [] drove the car, and that [] and PESTA were in the car with him. He said that AVENA, POLLINA, and SABELLA fired from the sidewalk. He also said that POLLINA and AVENA approached him on foot, and as the car swung around the corner from 8th Street onto Christian, ZANGHI ran into a barber shop on 8th Street a couple doors below Christian Street.

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[] testified that MUSKY ZANGHI ran into the barber shop at 902 South 8th Street after the shooting, and that she thought he had been shot.

[] identified [] as the driver of the car, and said that PESTA, sitting beside QUARANTA in the car, had a shotgun.

Each defendant was tried separately in order to avoid the risk of losing convictions in a mass trial, and only [] was convicted. He was found guilty of murder in the first degree. MUSKY ZANGHI had testified at the various trials that DOMINICK PESTA, JOHN NAZONE (AVENA), [] and SALVATORE SABELLA killed his brother JOSEPH and JOSEPH's friend, VINCENT COCCOZZA.

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ZANGHI was killed in New York City in August 1934. In July 1935, [] who was scheduled for electrocution three days later, submitted an affidavit that MUSKY ZANGHI had framed []. This statement was the basis of [] appeal and his request for a pardon, which was later granted. In this connection, a clipping was noted to the effect that on October 28, 1928, MUSKY ZANGHI shot one ANTHONY DENNI on the southwest corner of 8th and Christian Streets. It was speculated that this shooting was in reprisal for DENNI's testimony at some previous time to the effect that ZANGHI had conspired to kill ANTHONY DENNI's brother, who was not named.

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On January 5, 1965, SA [] reviewed the testimony of defendant [] given on June 28,

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1927, in connection with the above case. [] testified that during the evening of May 30, 1927, he was present on the premises of FELIPPO POLLINA's grocery store located at 2025 South 11th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. On this occasion he sat in the back room eating and drinking with [] DOMINIC FESTA, SALVATORE SABELLA, JOSEPH IDA, and ANTONIO DOMINIC POLLINA.

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August 19, 1931

Records of the Linden, New Jersey. Police Department checked on October 23, 1964, by IC [] contained the following information concerning SALVATORE SABELLA, Linden, N.J., Police Department #235, FBI Identification Division #479 029:

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SALVATORE SABELLA, 105 Roebling Street, Brooklyn, New York, was arrested by the Linden, N.J., Police Department on August 19, 1931. for assault and battery with auto. The complainant was [] He was turned over to the Union County Sheriff on August 19, 1931, who held him for the Grand Jury. He was released on bail on August 22, 1931.

On October 26, 1964, the records of the Union County Sheriff's Office, Elizabethtown, N.J., were checked by IC [] under Union County Identification #3012. These records reflected that SABELLI was given a suspended sentence on February 19, 1932.

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The Union County Identification Records contained the following description of SALVATORE SABELLI:

Name	SALVATORE SABELLI
Sex	Male
Race	White
Born	February 21, 1891, in Italy
Height	5'5 3/4"
Weight	157 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Black - gray
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium
Occupation	Butcher
FBI No.	479 029
Residence	105 Roebling Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

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March 29, 1935

On October 3, 1964, Warden [redacted] Montgomery County Prison, Norristown, Pa., advised that SALVATORE SABELLA, also known as SALVADORE SABELLA, 5 Broad Street, Levittown, Pa., entered the prison on March 29, 1935, after being sentenced to serve three months for manufacturing and distilling alcohol without a permit (two counts) and conspiracy. While in prison, SABELLA was visited by his wife and an individual named MIMI SABELLA, 105 Ropery Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. The date of this individual's visit to the prison was recorded as April 10, 1935.

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[redacted] said a True Bill was returned by the Montgomery County, Pa., Grand Jury on January 31, 1935, relating to this case.

SABELLA entered a not guilty plea on March 4, 1935, and was afforded a trial and was found guilty as charged on March 29, 1935. This case was No. 17, November Term 1934.

FBI Identification Division record reflects that the fingerprints of the SALVATORE SABELLA described above are identical to SALVATORE SABELLA, FBI #479 029.

September 10, 1943

IC [redacted] determined at the Philadelphia Police Department on October 21, 1964, that their records under Philadelphia Police Department #56230 and FBI Identification Division #479 029 reflect a person named SALVATORE SUBELLIE, also known as SALVATORE SABELLA, SALVATORE SABELLO, SALVADORE SABELLA, of 815 Dickinson Street, Philadelphia, Pa., was arrested by Detective Sergeant [redacted] and Detective [redacted] at Broad and South Penn Square, Philadelphia, on September 10, 1943. He was charged with larceny of money and no Alien Registration card (warrant). Defendant did steal a sum of \$830.00 by trick, which took place at Eighth and Montrose Streets. Complainant was [redacted]

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[redacted] SUBELLIE was brought before Magistrate [redacted]. He was indicted in November 1943 under Bills Nos. 443 and 444. He was tried on February 16, 1944. This action was nolle prossed and defendant was discharged by Judge [redacted]

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3. "La Cosa Nostra"

PH T-1 has advised that "La Cosa Nostra" is a highly organized society of persons of Italian ethnic origin operating throughout the United States. [REDACTED]

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On February 10, 1964, PH T-1 advised SALVATORE SABELLI was a member of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

On October 12, 1964, PH T-1 viewed a photograph of SALVATORE SABELLA, Philadelphia Police Department #56230, FBI Identification Division #479 029, and said this was the person he knew as SALVATORE SABELLI, a "La Cosa Nostra" member who formerly was a partner with HARRY RICCOBENE in bootlegging activities. He also said SABELLA was associated with GAETANO SCAFIDI in a lot of "shake downs." He said SABELLA lived in Ambler, Pa., and after a long illness he died when about 70 years of age. He was buried from a small funeral home located on a side street in Ambler, Pa.

PH T-1 advised on January 28, 1965, that SALVATORE SABELLA was also known as "DON TURIDDU." (TURIDDU is a Sicilian name often used to express the names SALVATORE or SAM.) PH T-1 also advised that he did not know how to spell this Sicilian name.

4. SALVATORE SABELLA's Association
with ANGELO BRUNO

On March 22, 1961, ANGELO BRUNO was detained and questioned by officers of the Philadelphia Police Department at which time they found in his possession an address book.

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On April 4, 1961, Deputy Commissioner [redacted] of the Philadelphia Police Department advised SA [redacted] that included in this address book was the following notation:

"DON TERUDIE
132 Grenin Avenue
MI 6-4779"

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In 1961, the following investigation was conducted by SAS [redacted] concerning the captioned notation:

[redacted] stated on June 5, 1961, that telephone number [redacted]

[redacted] She stated that she did not know any person named "DON TERUDIE" and no individual has resided in her house or is related to her who has a name similar to this. She stated that since March 1961 she has rented an upstairs apartment to one [redacted]

[redacted] advised on June 5, 1961, that she is the daughter of [redacted]

[redacted] She has two sisters who are married and who are gainfully employed. She does not know any person named "DON TERUDIE" or an individual of a similar name.

On June 5, 1961, [redacted] Post Office, Dover, Pa., advised that he has no record of any person named "DON TERUDIE" in any of the files in his office. He stated that he had talked to [redacted] who covers the area of 132 Greenwood Avenue. [redacted] stated that he does not recall any person of this name.

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Carrier [redacted] was also interviewed by the Post Master. [redacted] informed [redacted] that the name "DON TERUDIE" was unknown to him.

On June 5, 1961, Sergeant [redacted] of the Ambler, Pa., Police Department, examined his records and stated that he has no recollection of any person named "DON TERUDIE." The SABELLA family who resides at 132 Greenwood Avenue is of excellent reputation and no information has ever been received concerning any activities of an unlawful nature by any members of this family.

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5. Miscellaneous

By letter dated November 18, 1964, the FBI Identification Division advised SALVATORE SABELLA's fingerprints were not identical with the latent fingerprints in the case entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECT; MARSHALL VENEZIALE - VICTIM; December 17, 1954; MURDER" (BUfile 32-19873).

C. ASSOCIATES

STEFANO MAGGADINO
Buffalo, New York

During an interview with INS conducted in 1954, SALVATORE SABELLA advised that his wife was a cousin of STEFANO MAGGADINO.

ANGELO BRUNO
934 Snyder Avenue
Philadelphia, Pa.
FBI #104 5098

BRUNO has been identified by PH T-1 as the current "boss" of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

PHILIP TESTA
1012 Carpenter Street 2117 Porter St
Philadelphia, Pa.
FBI #299 049 B

TESTA has been identified by PH T-1 as a "capodecina" assigned to the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

FRANK NICOLETTI
2946 South 13th Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

PH T-1 has advised that NICOLETTI is a member of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

HARRY RICCOBENE
United States Penitentiary
Lewisburg, Pa.
FBI #470 924

PH T-1 has advised that RICCOBENE is a member of the

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Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

PETER CASELLA
United States Penitentiary
Atlanta, Georgia

PH T-1 has advised that CASELLA is a member of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO
917 DeLand Avenue
Camden, New Jersey
FBI #928 463

DE TULLIO is a present day "capodecina" assigned to the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

MARCO REGINELLI
Deceased May 1956
Camden, New Jersey

REGINELLI has been identified by PH T-1 as a former "Underboss" of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

JOSEPH IDA
Reggio, Calabria, Italy
FBI #233 12 A

IDA was the successor of JOSEPH BRUNO as the "boss" of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra." IDA was in attendance at the Apalachin meeting in November 1957. In order to avoid prosecution for attendance at this meeting, IDA renounced his United States citizenship and fled to Italy.

JOHN AVENA
Deceased August 17, 1936
Philadelphia, Pa.

AVENA was the predecessor of JOSEPH BRUNO as the "boss" of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra." He was murdered on the streets of Philadelphia on August 17, 1936.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was a partner of DOMINIC POLLINA in

[REDACTED]

DOMINIC FESTA
Chester, Pa.

PH T-1 has advised that FESTA was a member of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra."

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has been identified as a member of the

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] murders of VINCENT COCOZZA and JOSEPH ZANGHI, [REDACTED] was sentenced to life imprisonment but was paroled on December 21, 1935.

DOMINIC POLLINA
2515 South 21st Street
Philadelphia, Pa.
FBI #167 2301

POLLINA has been identified by PH T-1 as a "temporary boss" of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra" between JOSEPH IDA and ANGELO BRUNO.

LEONARD GALANTE
4329 North Franklin Street
Philadelphia, Pa.
FBI #114 6154

PH T-1 has advised that GALANTE is a member of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra." GALANTE was a brother-in-law of SALVATORE SABELLA.

During the period October 1, 1937, through September 17, 1947, LEONARD GALANTE was confined at the Eastern State Penitentiary, Philadelphia, Pa., where he was committed

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as a result of a conviction for second degree murder by shooting. During this confinement he was visited by the following persons who appear to be related to SALVATORE SABELLA:

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[redacted] of GALANTE)
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[redacted] of GALANTE)
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JOHN SABELLA
(nephew of GALANTE)
275 North Main Street
Ambler, Pa.
(June 1944)

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[redacted] of GALANTE)
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[Redacted] OF GALANTE)
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ROSE SABELLA
(~~niece of GALANTE~~)
275 North Main Street
Ambler, Pa.
(May 1938 and
September 1944)

SALVATORE SABELLA
(~~brother-in-law of GALANTE~~)
124 Butler Avenue
Ambler, Pa.
(March 1938);
275 North Main Street
Ambler, Pa.
(October 1938)

[Redacted]
[Redacted] OF GALANTE)
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The above information was obtained from a review of the records of the Eastern State Penitentiary on February 1, 1965, by SA [Redacted]

GAETANO SCAFIDI
Deceased
Philadelphia, Pa.
FBI #109 731

PH T-1 has advised that GAETANO SCAFIDI was a member of the Philadelphia Family of "La Cosa Nostra" and was at one time a "capodecina."

D. FBI IDENTIFICATION RECORD NO. 479 029
CONCERNING SALVATORE SABELLA AND A
COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF SALVATORE SABELLA

On October 6, 1964, the Philadelphia Division of the FBI received from the FBI Identification Division, Washington, D.C., a copy of FBI Identification Division Record #479 029 dated October 2, 1964. This record sets out the following arrests for SALVATORE SABELLA:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
PD, Phila., Pa.	Salvatore Sabella #56230	5-31-27	murder	
PD, Linden, N.J.	Salvatore Sabella #235	8-19-31	atro. A. & B.	G.J. w/o bail
Cent. Ident. Bu, Union Co., Elizabeth, N.J. #3012	Salvatore Sabella #J-8425, Union Co. Jail, Elizabeth, N.J.	8-19-31	atro. A. and B.	rel. in bail 8-22-31
Montgomery Co.Pr. Norristown, Pa.	Salvatore Sabella #--	3-29-35	Wo. Liquor Laws	3 mos.
AR	Salvatore Sabella #5579668	alien reg 12-24-40		
PD, Phila., Pa.	Salvatore Sabella #56230	9-10-43	larc of money no alien reg card	

The following is a composite description of
 SALVATORE SABELLA:

Name SALVATORE SABELLA

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Aliases

SALVATORE SABELLI
SALVATORE SABELLE
SALVADORE SABELLA
SALVATORE SUBELLI
SALVATORE SABELLO
DON TERUDIE
DON TURIDDU

Race

White

Sex

Male

Dates of Birth

October 21, 1891; November 21, 1890;
February 21, 1891; October 7, 1891;
July 3, 1891.

Place of Birth

Castellamare del Golfo, Trapani (Sicily),
Italy

Date of Death

January 14, 1962, Philadelphia, Pa.

Height

5' 5 3/4"

Weight

157 pounds

Build

Medium

Hair

Black - gray

Eyes

Brown

Complexion

Medium

Wife

MARIA SABELLA, nee GALANTE,
married January 20, 1919, Philadelphia, Pa.
ROSA, born October 1919, Philadelphia, Pa.;
GENNIE, born January 1921,
Philadelphia, Pa.;
JOHN, born November 2, 1922,
Philadelphia, Pa.;

Children

Residences

275 North Main Street, Ambler, Pa., 1940;
294 North Spring Garden Street,
Ambler, Pa., 1943;
815 Dickinson Street, Philadelphia, Pa., 1943;
5 Broad Street, Levittown, Pa., 1935;
105 Roebling Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1931;
3 Texas Avenue, Glenside, Pa., 1927;
132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.,
1957 or earlier

Occupations

Storekeeper; butcher; wholesaler

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FBI No.	479 029
Philadelphia	
PD No.	562 30
Linden, N.J.,	
PD No.	235
Alien Registration	
No.	557 9668
Residence at	
Death	132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

February 9, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. **92-1377**

Title **SALVATORE SABELLA**

Character **ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Reference **Report of SA [redacted]
dated February 9, 1965, at
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,
captioned as above.**

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

- 3 - Bureau (92-8030)
- 1 - USA, EDPa.
- 1 - Buffalo (INFO)
- 2 - Philadelphia (92-1377)

[Signature]
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Informant furnished the following information on
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Informant advised that he did not attend the

[redacted]
[redacted] of ANGELO BRUNO, and also
from [redacted] employer of source, informant identified
the following who were at the wedding:

FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO

JOHN CAPPELLO

[redacted]

FRANK NARDUCCI.

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Other individuals who did not

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

10/20/64: Informant furnished the following information on

Informant advised that SALVATORE SABELLA died just after the informant was reinstated in La Cosa Nostra (10/61). He was a friend of LITTLE HARRY RICCOBENE. Informant recalled that SAM SCAFIDI, ROCCO SCAFIDI, [redacted] went to the funeral in [redacted] SABELLA was described as a shake-down artist of newly arrived Italian immigrants. He was not well liked.

RE: PHILIP TESTA (89-55)

When ROCCO SCAFIDI and PHILIP TESTA were incarcerated in the Philadelphia House of Detention, TESTA promised ROCCO that he would take ROCCO into his "regime," when PHIL got out of jail. In regard to the assault of a federal officer previously mentioned by TESTA to ROCCO SCAFIDI, informant advised as follows:

Informant did not think it wise to bring up the subject with TESTA when TESTA is released. He believed that TESTA probably will not have any interest in discussing this once he is released. TESTA, however, continues to have a desire to assault an FBI Agent but did not contact any of his associates. Informant said that if he is again approached by TESTA to assault an FBI Agent, when he is released, it will be his responsibility to go to ANGELO BRUNO and inform him of this. If he relates this to BRUNO, TESTA would be described as being in a lot of trouble.

Also during the above period of incarceration PHILIP TESTA told informant that FRANK BLINKY PALERMO was a member of La Cosa Nostra.

In regard to [redacted] and [redacted] he stated that the brother of [redacted] worked with [redacted] are [redacted] - NICHOLAS and JOSEPH PICCOLO, and they wanted to change to a regime headed [redacted]

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Informant advised that ANGELO BRUNO lost \$13,000 in his numbers operation since PHIL has been in jail. Informant advised the following information as to why he believes that [REDACTED] was a member of LCN:

He advised of the murder of JOE PEPE LONGO who he said was killed by FRANK NICOLETTI and PHIL TESTA. PEPE LONGO was killed because of harassment of [REDACTED] ROCCO and GAETANO SCAFIDI on one occasion were sent to [REDACTED] to "hit" PEPE LONGO but did not locate him.

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In regard to burial grounds in Rosenhayn, N.J., he said he believed the DOGGE brothers and their 1941 Buick are buried near the chicken coop at this location. He advised that STEVE BROWN, not further identified, of Chester, Pa., had been found dead in Southwest Philadelphia and part of his body amputated and stuffed in his mouth. He said that DOMINICK FESTA of Chester, Pa., was responsible for this murder.

DIRECTOR, FBI (92-8030)

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SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1377) (P)

SALVATORE SABELLA, aka

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(OO: PHILADELPHIA)

Attached for the Bureau are the original and one copy of an LCN membership index card prepared regarding subject. Also one photo of subject is attached.

It is noted subject died 1/14/62. A closing report will follow.

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SAC, Philadelphia (92-1274)

CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
HOODLUM ALBUM
PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

Enclosed for the Bureau are one negative and two prints depicting [redacted] Philadelphia file 92-1382, Bufile 92-8025.

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Also attached for the Bureau are one negative and two prints of SALVATORE SABELLA, Philadelphia file 92-1377, Bufile 92-8030.

A photo of [redacted] has been obtained. [redacted] however, has been determined not to be a member of La Cosa Nostra. In view of this, his photo is not being sent to the Bureau.

Philadelphia will continue its efforts to obtain photos of leading hoodlums this division for inclusion in the Bureau's album.

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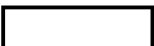
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2717)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-444)

ANGELO BRUNO, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

BRUNO HAD MEETING TODAY WITH LOAN SHARK AND BUSINESS
ASSOCIATE RAYMOND MARTORANO.

COORDINATING OF INTELLIGENCE INFO AT PHILADELPHIA TODAY
REVEALED COSA NOSTRA MEMBER SALVATORE SABELLA'S WIFE, MARIA
GALANTE, WHO IS SISTER OF COSA NOSTRA MEMBER LEONARD GALANTE,
IS COUSIN OF STEFANO MAGADDINO, COMMISSION MEMBER FROM
BUFFALO, N. Y. HENCE, LEONARD GALANTE IS ALSO COUSIN OF
MAGADDINO. SABELLA IS DECEASED. BUFALLO WILL BE ADVISED.
GALANTE UNDER INVESTIGATION. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF
ADDITIONAL INFO RE GALANTE.

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TITLES & FILES ON WHICH CONTACTED:

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ANTHONY PERELLA
GAETANO SCAFIDI

[REDACTED]

MARCO REGINELLI
IGNAZIO DENARO

[REDACTED]

DOMINICK FESTA

[REDACTED]

DOMINICK POLLINA
SALVATORE SABELLI

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JOSEPH IDA

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Informant furnished the following information on 3/23/65, which he advised was discussed between himself and JOHN CAPPELLO the previous Sunday, 3/21/65:

Informant said that CAPPELLO was interested in a "charter club." CAPPELLO advised that ANGELO BRUNO would back a "charter club" financially. CAPPELLO asked BRUNO for work doing anything. BRUNO allegedly told CAPPELLO that he would not be able to give him anything because BRUNO was not doing anything. CAPPELLO wanted a salary of \$100 to \$150 a week. Informant said that JOHN CAPPELLO was cussing ANGELO BRUNO who he said wanted everything for himself. There was mention of a newspaper account that RUSSELL A. BUFALINO had been deported, which gave informant opportunity to ask CAPPELLO which family of La Cosa Nostra did BUFALINO belong to. He advised that BUFALINO was from New York but did not mention what BUFALINO's rank was in the LCN.

Informant advised that he had seen FRANK MONTE the previous Saturday, 3/20/65, when MONTE came to his home at about 11:30 a.m. MONTE wanted to contact informant's nephew to have this person (son-in-law of SAM SCAFIDI) put a telephone in. MONTE did not say where he wanted the telephone installed, but SAM SCAFIDI's son-in-law has in the past installed illegal telephones for MONTE. MONTE also said he was now working with PHIL TESTA in TESTA's numbers operations on a full-time basis. MONTE told informant he had not been around the ziganette game at [redacted] for the last three or four days. He said the game was still operating.

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Informant was shown a photograph of JACK PARISI, and advised he did not recognize this person.

Informant was shown a photograph of GUISEPPE PERUGINO. Informant advised that he had met this person in Chester, Pa., and recalled that his name was GUISEPPE and that he was connected with the [redacted] brothers and that he was a member of La Cosa Nostra. Informant was introduced to this person as a member of the LCN. He said PERUGINO had the reputation of being a gunman. He recalled the name of JOE LUPO, an alias of PERUGINO, but did not connect this name with the photograph.

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Informant was asked if he recalled an individual named [redacted] identified previously as an associate of PERUGINO. Informant advised as follows:

He remembered [redacted] as a member of La Cosa Nostra who was last known to the informant to be living [redacted] of LITTLE HARRY RICCOBENE in bootlegging and other illegal activities of LITTLE HARRY. Informant also recalled that another partner of HARRY RICCOBENE at the time was a member of La Cosa Nostra. Informant advised that this partner of RICCOBENE - name not recalled, also went [redacted] Informant then stated that he recalled that PERUGINO by reputation in around 1933 or 1934, was the alleged gunman who killed an individual recalled by informant under the nickname of [redacted] FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO allegedly drove the car doing the killing. Informant also recalled that PERUGINO by reputation had something to do with the murder of an individual he recalled as being nicknamed "SPEED BROWN." Regarding "SPEED BROWN," he said that "SPEED BROWN" was found on the "back road" in Chester, Pa., and that part of BROWN's body had been amputated and placed in his mouth by the murderers.

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Informant furnished the following information regarding the death of ANTHONY BENEDETTO, aka Battles:

Informant said that BATTLES was a cook and a chef and had a carefree attitude. He borrowed money from FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO. Informant was in Holmesburg with BATTLES around 1943 or 1944. BATTLES was threatened to make payments on loan shark money, and he ignored these threats. He recalled that BATTLES worked at the luncheonette at the corner of Atlantic and Missouri Avenues in Atlantic City, N. J. Prior to his death, he worked at this luncheonette. Informant did not know who committed the murder, but said that BATTLES was well-liked.

Informant also advised that there was an individual called [redacted] who over ten years ago held out a ten dollar numbers play while working for FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO. This ten dollar play won and

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put HARRY THE HAT in a position in owing DE TULLIO a lot of money. DE TULLIO allegedly set HARRY up in a coffee shop in Atlantic City, N. J., which he operated in an effort to repay DE TULLIO. Immediately after the above numbers hit of ten dollars, DE TULLIO had HARRY THE HAT working as a bartender. HARRY was said to still owe DE TULLIO a lot of money. He was going to be killed but some unknown person interceded for him. HARRY THE HAT was described as in his late 50's, Italian, 5'8", stocky build, round face, black straight hair. HARRY worked for DE TULLIO at the time [redacted] and DE TULLIO were partners.

In regard to the death of JOHN LERRO, informant advised as follows:

Informant said regardless of the newspaper accounts that LERRO was shot with a machine gun, that LERRO was actually shot with a sawed-off shot gun. He advised that DE TULLIO was made a member of La Cosa Nostra for fingering LERRO in this murder. DE TULLIO at the time of LERRO's death had a wife who was sick and later died. Informant said the first time there was a run made in an effort to kill LERRO, [redacted]

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[redacted] with PETER CASELLA as a partner. It was arranged for the informant to come from a parking area near PHIL TESTA's chicken store and then drive south on 10th Street to where LERRO was in the vicinity of the corner of 10th and Montrose. DE TULLIO was to give the signal by calling PHIL TESTA's chicken store. The car was supposed to be abandoned near 8th and Carpenter Streets, Philadelphia. The car used by informant belonged to the father of HARRY RICCOBENE. The car was called a "Moon." Informant said he made the run and PETER CASELLA was with him, but the victim could not be located. When victim was finally shot, he was killed by PETER CASELLA with a sawed-off shot gun. Informant said he did not know who drove PETER CASELLA for this killing.

Informant was asked to identify a murder victim named DANNY PECCORELLI. He said this person was known as PICKEL and the whole family was wiped out because of shake-downs. JOHN AVENA who was head of La Cosa Nostra in Philadelphia at the time, OK'd this hit. JOHN LERRO was also killed for attempting to shake down people.

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In regard to [redacted]

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Informant also recalled that CHARLIE THE BLADE, SAM SCAFIDI of Philadelphia, and [redacted]

[redacted] at a place called the [redacted]

This was located in a home which was set back from the highway about one mile. It was an afternoon crap game operation.

Informant was [redacted] This game was set up by [redacted]

[redacted] previously described by informant. SAM SCAFIDI was given three per cent of this operation. This is where SAM SCAFIDI accumulated money.

There was a disagreement in the game operation inasmuch as the group from North Jersey represented by [redacted]

[redacted] wanted to use chips, while the group from South Jersey wanted to use money.

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Informant also said that [redacted] formerly owned the [redacted] It was at this club where FRANK SINATRA got started. Informant said he was introduced to [redacted]

Informant said [redacted]

[redacted] at the time MARCO REGINELLI had a game going in Jersey. The following day he was taken around and introduced as a member. Informant said in New York LCN members are given a chance to make money. This is not so in Philadelphia. He cited as an example IGNAZIO DENARO, advising that he was said to be unliked by all for his wanting to get in on anything that is making money. He pointed out that DENARO in 1932 could not pay his rent, but now that he has money he does not remember. He pointed out that another guy with money at the present time is FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO, who does not now remember that he had to borrow the money to bury his wife when she died. He said that PETER CASELLA was the only one who spent money and was also free with the money that he owned.

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Regarding [redacted] informant advised as follows:

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Informant advised that he did not know [redacted]
[redacted] He stated that in the early 1950's, while in Los Angeles, he met an individual he recalled as being named DAGO. This individual DAGO was supposed to be the boss of the downtown Los Angeles area and a member of La Cosa Nostra. He was 5'8" tall, 175 pounds, and had somewhat of a stocky build. He allegedly died of a heart attack in early 1955. He had a home on Sunset Boulevard which was said to be three doors away from 77 Sunset Strip, and was said to be seen in the opening scenes of the TV series, "77 Sunset Strip." The home was on a hill. DAGO had trouble with MICKEY COHEN. It was DAGO's group who allegedly attempted to kill COHEN. Informant believed he attended the Melody Room with DAGO when in L.A., but could not recall whether or not this club was racket-owned.

Informant reviewed the murder of ZANGHI and COCCOZZA, which occurred in Philadelphia in 1927. In reviewing names of suspects who committed this murder, the following names were mentioned to informant:

[redacted]
DOMENICK FESTA
[redacted]

DOMINICK POLLINA
JOHN AVENA
SALVATORE SABELLI
FILIPPE POLLINA
JOSEPH IDA
MICHAEL ROMEO, father of SAM and SANTO ROMEO.

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Informant said that each of these individuals, who were connected in the inquiry of the murder of ZANGHI, were known to him to have been members of LaCosa Nostra. The only ones living at the present time, according to informant, [redacted] and ANTONIO POLLINA. [redacted] was said to have been given a choice by JOHN AVENA to return to Italy or be killed. SCOPOLETTI chose to return to Italy but was later allegedly killed in Italy.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2924)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-554)
SUBJECT: STEVE MAGADDINO, aka
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(OO: BUFFALO)

DATE: APR 28 1965

Re Buffalo "June" memorandum to Bureau dated
3/31/65.

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- 2 - Boston (Info)
 - (1 - 92-605, LCN)
- 4 - Chicago (Info)
 - (1 - 92-349, SAM GIANCANA)
 - (1 - 92-1173, LCN)
 - (1 - 92-344, ANTHONY ACCARDO)
- 2 - Cleveland (Info)
 - (1 - 92-748, LCN)
- 2 - Detroit (Info)
 - (1 - 92-914, LCN)
- 3 - Los Angeles (Info)
 - (1 - 92-1112, LCN)
 - (1 - 92-107, FRANK DE SIMONE)
- 2 - Miami (Info)
 - (1 - 92-853, LCN)
- 4 - Newark (Info)
 - (1 - 92-1203, LCN)
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The following observations are suggested by referenced memorandum.

1. References to "TURI" (Page 17), "TURIDDU" (Page 19), and "TURIDDU" (Page 20) in connection with SALVATORE MARANZANO could conceivably refer to SALVATORE SABELLA, aka "DON TURIDDU."

SABELLA's wife, according to INS records, is a cousin of STEVE MAGADDINO. SABELLA died in 1962.

One SAMUEL SABELLI and MARIA SABELLI were the Baptismal godparents of PETER J. MAGGIO, who is a LCN member in Philadelphia. SAMUEL SABELLI is believed to be identical with SALVATORE SABELLA.

The "Boss" of the Philadelphia Family of LCN has been traced back reliably to JOHN AVENA, who was murdered in Philadelphia in 1936. The "Boss" prior to AVENA has not been definitely established.

Intelligence data suggests SALVATORE SABELLA was a "Boss" of the Philadelphia Family during the 1920s. SABELLA reportedly was demoted as a result of his bungling of the Memorial Day murders, 1927, in Philadelphia, for which SABELLA and other known LCN members were arrested, tried, and acquitted, with the exception of LCN member [redacted] who was convicted, sentenced to life imprisonment, and subsequently pardoned.

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If SABELLA was a "Boss" during the 1920s, he undoubtedly would have been associated with MAGADDINO and MARANZANO.

2. Reference to "JOE AIDA" (Page 39) would appear to be a reference to "JOSEPH IDA," who was a "Boss" of the Philadelphia Family of LCN. IDA was the successor of JOSEPH BRUNO as "Boss" of the Philadelphia Family of LCN. He was succeeded by ANTONIO DOMINIC POLLINA in 1959 or 1960. BRUNO replaced POLLINA as "Boss" sometime prior to November 1960.

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IDA was implicated in the Memorial Day murders mentioned above, but was not indicted.

3. References to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] probably refer to GIUSEPPE (JOSEPH) RUGNETTA of Philadelphia. RUGNETTA has been identified by [REDACTED] of the Philadelphia Family of LCN. RUGNETTA is a Calabrese and governs with ANGELO BRUNO the numerous Calabrese members of the Philadelphia LCN Family. RUGNETTA is approximately 69 years old.

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4. Reference to "ANGELO PURO" (Page 68) possibly is to ANGELO BRUNO, who reportedly was sent by the Commission to see JOSEPH BONANNO.

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Also, several envelopes addressed to [REDACTED]
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At 11:10 LENA left in the Lincoln. It appeared that she had been waiting for a call from PETER.

[REDACTED] came home at 11:55 and as she was bringing [REDACTED] from the car, he ran away. She drove around and looked for him.

At 1:05 p.m. ANGELO BRUNO called [REDACTED] and left a message that she should call him at DE 4-7855. [REDACTED] came home at 2:25 and called ANGELO right away. She told him "everything is fine - he's in Edmonton - he got a postponement until Friday, 3/19/65. He doesn't know yet but he may send [REDACTED] home on Thursday night and come home himself on Friday night - it depends on the way things turn out."

[REDACTED] left in the Lincoln again at 3:10.

On PETE's dressing table, birth certificate reflects:

CERTIFICATE OF BAPTISM,
CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,
BURLINGTON, N. J.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT PETER MAGGIO, CHILD OF MICHAEL [REDACTED] BORN IN [REDACTED], ON THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER 1920, BAPTIZED ON THE 14TH DAY OF AUGUST 1921, ACCORDING TO THE RITE OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, BY THE REV. HENRY RUSSI, THE SPONSORS BEING SAMUEL SABELLE AND MARIA SABELLE, AS APPEARS IN THE BAPTISMAL REGISTER OF THIS CHURCH, DATED FEBRUARY 15, 1965 (SGD) REV. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Also on PETE's dressing table:

Telephone message on office form -
For PETE to call [redacted] - MI 6-2322
dated 3/11/65.

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[redacted] brought PETER home at 5:45 p.m.



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The informant visited SAM SCAFIDI, [redacted] and as a result of a conversation with SCAFIDI, he furnished the following information on 1/6/65:

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Informant ascertained that the late GAETANO SCAFIDI had in fact been a caporegime in LCN in 1936 when he was incarcerated along with his sons, ROCCO and SAM SCAFIDI, on a bombing charge originating in Chester, Pa. SCAFIDI told source that PETER CASELLA, [redacted] LITTLE HARRY RICCOBENE, and SAM SCAFIDI were under GAETANO at that time. Informant said that SAM SCAFIDI said that anyone would be crazy to think of robbing [redacted] inasmuch as [redacted] for FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO, and that to rob [redacted]

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In regard to loan sharking activity, informant furnished the following information:

Informant said that [redacted] was pushing money for FRANK NICOLETTI. [redacted] is pushing loan shark money for IGNAZIO DENARO. An individual known to informant only as [redacted] was also pushing money for DENARO. [redacted] was described as having [redacted]

[redacted] Informant recalled an occasion when he tried to borrow money from [redacted] that the money he loaned belonged to DENARO.

Informant said that ANGELO BRUNO loaned money. He said BRUNO controlled it himself and that the loans were in large amounts. He recalled that ANTHONY CAPPOLO, owner of the Philadelphia - New Jersey Express Company, had told him that he was borrowing money from ANGELO BRUNO. [redacted] and [redacted] are pushing money for FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO. ANTONIO POLLINA [redacted]

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Informant pointed out that [redacted] is a frequent visitor of POLLINA and may be in partnership with POLLINA, loaning money at the present time [redacted] was prior to POLLINA's trouble a partner with him in loaning money.

ALFRED IEZZI pushes money. One person indebted to IEZZI at the present time is NICHOLAS SCARFO. FRANK MONTE recently told informant that LEFTY GATTO was pushing money.

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[redacted] is pushing money but only to customers in [redacted]. These customers for the most part are construction workers in the neighborhood and are borrowing money for short periods of time for which [redacted] gets five to ten per cent interest. SANTO ROMEO is pushing money for JOSEPH RUGNETTA.

JOE BUCK (PICCOLO) is pushing money for himself.

Insofar as rates for loans are concerned, informant furnished the following information:

If a loan is for one day, the charge is five per cent interest. If the loan is for one week, the charge is ten per cent interest. The usual straight loan is for 20% interest over a thirteen week period. If a payment toward the repaying on the original loan is missed, the borrower still has to pay the weekly interest. On a \$100 loan, for example, for a 13 week period, he would have to pay \$120 interest. If no payment is made toward the interest or to reduce the original loan, the interest is compounded so that the borrower winds up paying interest on both the original loan and having his interest accrued.

The usual practice is for the individuals borrowing money (described as "suckers" by the informant) to pay off the loan in part or full and renew the loan.

In obtaining a loan from any of the above-described individuals, a borrower has to be recommended. The individual recommending the borrower stands responsible for the loan in the event the borrower reneges on payment. If an individual recommends a borrower and they repay the loan and then obtain another loan on which they default on payments, then the person recommending is not held responsible.

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To force payment, strong-arm tactics will be used; for example, if FRANK NICOLETTI needed to collect money, he would probably go to ANGELO BRUNO and they would agree on the individuals who would go out to collect the loan. Payment for any violence toward a borrower would be the loan sharks responsibility. It is determined before-hand what harm should befall the borrower, such as whether or not to administer a beating, breaking a leg or an arm, etc.

It was also pointed out that all of the loan sharks have to keep records. It was the informant's belief that

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[redacted] NICOLETTI, and in addition NICOLETTI would have his own records to enable him to check on [redacted]

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Informant was questioned as to [redacted]

[redacted] Informant said he had asked SAM SCAFIDI about and that neither he nor SAM recalled this individual.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/30/65

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The agents identified themselves and told JOSEPH LAGANA that he was not under any obligation to answer any questions, that if he did so anything he said might be used against him in a court of law, and that he was entitled to consult an attorney prior to making any statement.

JOSEPH LAGANA, 904 South Broad Street, furnished the following information:

He was born on December 11, 1891, at Varapodio, Reggio Calabria, Italy. He emigrated to the United States from Naples, Italy, arriving in New York City some time during 1910.

He was married to THERESA PANZERA on July 3, 1923, or July 3, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., at a church located at 11th and Mifflin Streets. His parents were LUIGI LAGANA and CONCETTA LANZA, both born in Italy and both deceased. He has remained in good health with the exception of one serious operation he had during 1935 when he had one kidney removed. During the operation he was hospitalized at the Methodist Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

From 1924 until about 1930 - 1931, he resided at 1219 Passyunk Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., and thereafter at 1014 Federal Street, Philadelphia, until the late 1940's. He purchased property at 904 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, in about 1950; and he presently lives at this location, although he frequently spends evenings at [redacted] where his [redacted]

At 904 South Broad Street he subscribes to telephone number KI 5-5284. He has no automobile.

Prior to coming to the United States, he served about six months in the Italian Army shortly before his arrival in America during about 1910. After arriving in the United States,

On 4/23/65 at Philadelphia, Pa.

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he was employed by Victor Talking Machine Company, Camden, N.J., for about three years as a finisher. During this time he worked with JOSEPH IDA, who was a carpenter. Some time before the 1920's, he served about 15 months in Holmesburg Prison, Philadelphia, for larceny. After his release he operated a restaurant at 8th and Christian Streets for several years and returned to Italy for about six months to visit his parents.

From about 1924 until about 1930 - 1931, he operated a grocery store at 1219 Passyunk Avenue, Philadelphia, and then a grocery store at 1014 Federal Street, Philadelphia, until his wife died in the late 1940's. He left the operation of this store to [REDACTED]
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Since the very late 1940's he has been retired and spends nearly all of his time at either the grocery store at 1014 Federal Street or at Bioren and Company Investment Brokers, 1424 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. In the mornings and evenings, he can usually be located at his residence.

His [REDACTED]
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He denied that he is now or ever was a member of La Cosa Nostra (LCN). He said he could furnish no information concerning any LCN activities on the part of any of his acquaintances.

He identified the following individuals as past acquaintances, many of whom he has not seen for a number of years:

JOSEPH MAGGIO

MIKE MAGGIO

ANGELO BRUNO

About five or six years ago he was at MIKE MAGGIO's cheese company buying merchandise for the grocery store then operated [REDACTED] On that occasion ANGELO BRUNO was present with MIKE MAGGIO and MIKE introduced him to BRUNO.

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JOE IDA

He became acquainted with IDA as previously indicated while he was employed at Victor Talking Machine Company, Camden, N. J., for about three years when he first came to the United States in 1910. JOE IDA at that time was a carpenter.

FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO

He had met DE TULLIO's first wife and when she died about 15 - 18 years ago he met FELIX DE TULLIO on the street and conveyed condolences to him. About ten years ago DETULLIO heard that he made excellent wine and DE TULLIO came to him at that time and asked him for some wine.

PHILIP (FILIPPO) POLINA

ANTONIO DOMINICK POLLINA

He identified ANTONIO POLLINA as a former wholesale grocer whom he has not seen for 15 years.

JOSEPH RUGNETTA

He identified RUGNETTA as a barber at 7th and Ellsworth Streets whom he first met about 30 years ago and whom he has not seen for the past six or seven months.

JOHN AVENA

He knew this individual over 30 years ago and identified him as the individual who was shot and killed in South Philadelphia during the middle 1930's.

JOE SCPOLETTI

He identified SCPOLETTI as coming from the same town in Italy. He died about 18 years ago and was never married. He has a brother-in-law who has a fish market in Sea Isle City, N. J.

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DOMINICK FESTA

DIMETRI PINESTRI

He identified FESTA and PINESTRI as originally from Philadelphia and later from Chester. Both are deceased.

SALVATORE SABELLA

In general, he termed all of the above individuals as former associates of his in the South Philadelphia area, many of whom he has not seen for years. He said he was not acquainted with MARIO RICCOBENE, SR., or JAMES GAGLIOTI.

He furnished a photograph of himself taken some time in 1964.

LAGANA stated he would most willingly make himself available for interview by representatives of the FBI at any time and would cooperate to the best of his ability.

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URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2717)

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-444)

ANGILO BRUNO, AKA, AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

DURING AFTERNOON HOURS SUBJECT WAS AT SEVEN FORTY CHRISTIAN ST. WHERE HE HELD A SERIES OF CONFERENCES.

SUBJECT ARRANGED TO EXCHANGE TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS IN SMALL BILLS FOR BILLS OF HIGHER DENOMINATION.

HE MET PRIVATELY WITH LCN CAPODECINA NICOLO PICCOLO AND LCN MEMBER LEONARD GALANTE IN REAR ROOM, WHILE LCN MEMBER FRANK NICOLATTE SAT IN FRONT ROOM WITH [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PHILA. GAMBLERS. SHORTLY AFTER MEETING STARTED BRUNO SENT ASSOCIATE [REDACTED] TO PICK UP MAX WEISBERG, LEADER OF PHILA. JEWISH MOB, AND TO BRING HIM TO MEETING. WEISBERG ARRIVE AND JOINED MEETING IN REAR ROOM. BRUNO THEN SENT FOR LCN MEMBER ALFREDO IZZI. BEFORE IZZI'S ARRIVAL GALANTE AND PICCOLO DEPARTED. WEISBERG AND BRUNO THEN SPOKE ALONE IN REAR ROOM WHERE THEY WERE LATER JOINED BY IZZI.

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1 - 92-SAMMINTI
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AT END OF MEETING WEISBERG WENT TO A PUBLIC PAY PHONE AND ARRANGED A MEETING WITH UNKNOWN PARTY. HE RETURNED AND SAID MEET WAS SET FOR FIVE THIRTY. BRUNO INDICATED HE WOULD ALSO ATTEND MEETING AND WOULD BE PICKED UP BY ALFREDO IRZEL. WEISBERG INDICATED MEETING WOULD TAKE PLACE AT [REDACTED] COVERAGE OF RESTAURANT DISCLOSED WEISBERG OR BRUNO NOT PRESENT.

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LEONARD GALANTE IS BROTHER-IN-LAW OF LATE LCN MEMBER SALVATORE SABIELLA AND IS RELIABLY REPORTED TO BE A COUSIN OF STEFANO MAGADDINO.

AT TIME WEISBERG WAS TOLD TO MEET WITH BRUNO HE WAS AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

PH SOURCE HAS ADVISED CONTINUOUSLY OVER PAST SEVERAL MONTHS MAX WEISBERG HAS BEEN INTIMATELY INVOLVED WITH [REDACTED]

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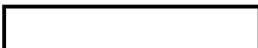
[REDACTED] WEISBERG AND [REDACTED] ARE IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH EACH OTHER EVERY DAY. SOURCE ALSO ADVISES A [REDACTED]

BRUNO CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.



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[REDACTED]

MICHAEL MAGGIO
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He knew this individual had a store on the northwest corner of Ninth and Montrose Streets, during the late 1920's until at least the mid - late 1930's when SABATO left this area.

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PAUL SAVARESE
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This man had a barber shop on South Eighth Street, north of League Street, and afterwards on the northeast corner of Eighth and League Streets. SAVARESE is a palson of SABATO and he obtained haircuts from SAVARESE during the period 1929 to 1934.

MARIO RICCOBENE
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This individual is also a palson of SABATO. He knew RICCOBENE was in Philadelphia when he, SABATO, was in New York City, and it was through RICCOBENE he went for work after his arrival in this city. RICCOBENE was a masonry contractor and SABATO thought he could obtain work with RICCOBENE by delivering contracting material in his truck. However, his arrival in Philadelphia coincided with the depression in 1929. He could not obtain work and had to sell his truck. He never did obtain work with RICCOBENE and during the early 1930's obtained his job in Lit Brothers Department Store, where he remained until his retirement in the mid-1950's.

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[redacted]
[redacted]
He has never heard of an individual by the name of [redacted] however, he does have a friend by the name of [redacted] who now resides in [redacted] having been born in [redacted] He is now age about [redacted] and has [redacted]

He knew [redacted] but had no contact with him after coming to the United States until he met him [redacted]
[redacted]

The current Bell Telephone Directory for Delaware County and vicinity lists one [redacted]

[redacted] There is another listing of one [redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he is not acquainted with any of the following individuals by name and that he could furnish no information concerning any of these individuals:

[redacted]
JOHN AVENA
ANTONIO CALIO
[redacted]

JOHN CAPPELLO
ANGELO CILEONE
[redacted]

JAMES GATTO
[redacted]

FREDERICO IAGANA
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted]
ANGELO BRUNO
JIMMY CALIO, detective, died years ago.

PETER CASELLA
IGNAZIO DENARO
[redacted]
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[redacted]

PETER MAGGIO
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FRANK NARDUCCI

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NICHOLAS PICCOLO
FILLIPPO POLLINA
SANTO ROMEO
JOSEPH RUGNETTA
GAETANO SCAFIDI
ROCCO SCAFIDI

[REDACTED]
PHILIP TESTA

FRANK NICOIETTI
GUISEPPE PERUGINO, aka Joe Lupo

[REDACTED]
ANTONIO DOMINICK POLLINA

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SALVATORE SABELLA
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NICHOLAS SCARFO

[REDACTED]
SALVATORE TESTA

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From the above information regarding [REDACTED]
it could well be that this individual could possibly be identical
with the person concerning whom [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

By separate memo. it is being recommended that
a case be opened on [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

SAC, PHILADELPHIA (92-1489)

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SAC, BUFFALO (92-594) (RUC)

LEONARD GALANTE, aka
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(OO: PHILADELPHIA)

Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 2/26/65 at
Philadelphia.

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Rerep requested the Buffalo Office to ascertain through whom subject is related to STEFANO MAGADDINO. The report pointed out that when subject's brother-in-law, SALVATORE SABELLA, was interviewed by INS, he told INS that his wife, MARIA SABELLA, was a cousin of STEFANO MAGADDINO.

A review of investigative reports submitted on members and relatives of the "Magaddino Family" at Buffalo has been completed, and no specific information was developed which showed a relationship between MARIA SABELLA, nee Galante, and STEVE MAGADDINO.

On 6/17/65 [redacted] made available their files relating to an investigation by INS concerning STEVE MAGADDINO. It was noted that during an interview of SALVATORE SABELLA on 10/1/54 by INS at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, SABELLA commented to [redacted] that his cousin, MARIA, was a cousin of STEVE MAGADDINO.

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It was further noted that during 1931 SALVATORE SABELLA listed a residence of 105 Roebling Street, Brooklyn, New York.

This same address was listed as the address of STEVE MAGADDINO on 8/16/21 when he and six other members of his "Family" were arrested for participating in a gangland murder. At that time [redacted]

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[redacted] the sister of STEVE MAGADDINO's wife, and married to [redacted]
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PETER JOSEPH MAGADDINO, born 10/26/06, has a brother, GASPARE MAGADDINO, born 8/1/08, at Castellamare Del Golfo, Sicily. INS at Buffalo is conducting an investigation to locate GASPARE MAGADDINO, who would also be a cousin of STEVE MAGADDINO, since he is wanted by the police and may be in the United States illegally. INS is also attempting to locate his brother, PETER JOSEPH MAGADDINO, who maintains a residence on Grand Island, New York. INS wished to question PETER JOSEPH MAGADDINO as to the whereabouts of his brother, GASPARE MAGADDINO.

The files of the Buffalo Office also contain background information concerning the relatives of one ALBERTO GALANTE, born 10/22/16 in New York City, and married to [redacted] ALBERTO GALANTE had two brothers in Sicily, VINCENT and PETER GALANTE. Their parents were identified as MICHELE GALANTE, born 9/7/1899 and his wife, LEONARDA GENNA GALANTE, born 1/30/1890, both in Castellamare Del Golfo, Sicily.

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ALBERTO GALANTE was murdered 10/7/64, and the police on Long Island, New York, are attempting to locate and interview GASPARE MAGADDINO for information concerning this murder. It was pointed out that GASPARE MAGADDINO, STEVE MAGADDINO's cousin, visited New York City and Montreal, Canada, at a time JOSEPH BONANNO was in Montreal. They visited his brother, PETER JOSEPH MAGADDINO, for about two weeks during the summer of 1964 and allegedly left the United States for Sicily in September 1964. He returned to the United States en route to Montreal two days after the murder of ALBERTO GALANTE.

There is no information in the Buffalo files which would indicate that ALBERTO GALANTE or members of his family are related directly to LEONARD GALANTE of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The above information concerning the relatives of

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STEVE MAGADDINO has been set out in the event a relative of LEONARD GALANTE is later identified as being a blood relation to one of the relatives of STEVE MAGADDINO, identified above.

[REDACTED]

Ballantine London Dry Gin - #106-350470.

[REDACTED] has indicated that "because of the stress" PETE is under today, he is drinking "heavily." PETER received a notice from Broward County, Fla., indicating all owners on Griffin Road (G & M Realty Co. property is in part on this road) are being assessed for a water main construction.

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Street; and [redacted] were arrested with MAGADDINO on the murder charge.

[redacted] is a cousin of GASPARE DE GREGORIO, born 12/5/11 or 12/5/05 at Castellamare Del Golfo, Sicily. GASPARE DE GREGORIO was first married to [redacted] the sister of STEVE MAGADDINO. GASPARE DE GREGORIO and MARTA MAGADDINO had one child, [redacted] at Brooklyn, New York.

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GASPARE DE GREGORIO had three children by his second marriage to VITA LA SALA, born 3/18/13, at Castellamare Del Golfo, Sicily, to JOHN LA SALA and MARY ASARO.

It is also noted that [redacted] married [redacted] who is the sister of STEVE MAGADDINO's wife, CARMELIA CARODDO. A son was born of this marriage, known as VINCENT STEPHEN DI GREGORIO, born 2/19/14 at Brooklyn, New York. This son married [redacted] of NICK LONGO, a brother-in-law of STEVE MAGADDINO. NICK LONGO's wife was ARCHANGELA MAGADDINO, the sister of STEVE MAGADDINO, and she was killed in a bombing of her home on 5/19/36.

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The parents of STEVE MAGADDINO were GIARCCHIRO (JOHN) MAGADDINO and GIUSEPPA CIARAVINA, of Castellamare Del Golfo, Sicily. GIARCCHIRO MAGADDINO and GIUSEPPA CIARAVINA had another son, known as PIERTO MAGADDINO, who would have been the brother of STEVE MAGADDINO. This individual was killed between 1913 and 1916 in Sicily, allegedly by [redacted] It was alleged that MAGADDINO ordered the death of [redacted] in New Jersey, for which he was arrested in 1921.

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GIARCCHIRO MAGADDINO had a brother, GIUSEPPE MAGADDINO, who was married to [redacted] the sister of GIUSEPPE MAGADDINO is married to JOSEPH BONANNO.

GIUSEPPE MAGADDINO and [redacted] are the parents of PETER JOSEPH MAGADDINO, born 10/26/06 at Castellamare Del Golfo, Sicily; and he was married 12/7/41 to [redacted]

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[REDACTED]

On 9/6/66, informant furnished the following information:

THIS INFORMATION, FOR REPORT PURPOSES, SHOULD BE USED WITH CAUTION - INFORMANT DIRECTLY INVOLVED.

Informant advised he, [REDACTED] was unable to go to Atlantic City, N.J., during the week end 9/3-5/66.

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Informant, on the afternoon of 9/4/66, visited SAM SCAFIDI at SAM's residence, 909 South Eighth Street. Upon entering SAM's home, it was ascertained that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], was visiting SAM SCAFIDI. SAM SCAFIDI was said to still be seriously ill and is scheduled to re-enter St. Lukes Hospital in the near future. SAM SCAFIDI's doctor expenses for an exploratory operation are being paid for by ALFREDO IEZZI.

In regards to his personal affairs, [REDACTED] in the conversation, advised that [REDACTED] was said to have lost weight and to say of himself that he was "very broke."

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[REDACTED]

He mentioned that he occasionally visits [REDACTED]

Later in the conversation [REDACTED] acknowledged that he had been [REDACTED]. He said at the present time he was under "JACK WILLIAMS" (JOSEPH LANCIANO), who is acting capodecina for PASQUALE MASSI, who was said to be still in Italy and still sick.

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Informant advised that [REDACTED]

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[redacted] Informant said that during the conversation [redacted] asked SAM SCAFIDI if SAM knew who the "first boss" of the Philadelphia Family was. SAM SCAFIDI thereafter explained the origin of the Philadelphia Family of LCN as follows:

GUISEPPE TRAINA of New York in 1920 appointed SAM SABELLA (SALVATORE SABELLA), deceased, formerly of 132 Greenwood Avenue, Ambler, Pa., as the "boss." At this time the organization was known as the "Black Hand." It was not explained if SABELLA had been a member prior to this or whether he was inducted into the organization by [redacted] and thereafter made boss. SAM SCAFIDI did say that there were "just a handful" in reference to the original members of the organization in 1920.

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Identified by SAM in the conversation were FRANK PICCOLO (phonetic). Informant said that FRANK's surname was like the musical instrument piccolo, that FRANK had been jailed for an unknown reason and upon being released from jail was murdered at Eighth and Wolf Streets, Philadelphia, for something that PICCOLO had done against the "Family," of the "Black Hand" as it was known at that time. PICCOLO, at the time he was murdered, was riding in a truck belonging to "CAMPO." (The informant was asked specifically if this FRANK PICCOLO was related to the [redacted] brothers, i. e. NICHOLAS, ANTHONY PICCOLO, etc. Informant said that he did not know. It is noted, however, that ANTHONY PICCOLO has a middle name of FRANK.)

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Others identified as being members when the Philadelphia Family originated were:

GAETANO SCAFIDI, father of SAM SCAFIDI and ROCCO SCAFIDI.

DOMINICK FESTA, deceased, formerly of Chester, Pa.

JOSEPH SCAFIDI, uncle of ROCCO and SAM SCAFIDI and brother of GAETANO SCAFIDI, who is now deceased. JOSEPH SCAFIDI still resides in Rosenhayn, N. J.

[REDACTED]

FRANK BARELLA (phonetic), deceased, formerly of
Rosenhayn, N. J., related to JOSEPH SCAFIDI by
marriage.

MARCO REGINELLI, deceased.

ANTONIO POLLINA

MICHAEL MAGGIO, deceased

JOHN SCOPELLITI

MARIO RICCOBENE, deceased, father of HARRY RICCOBENE.

SALVATORE TESTA, father of PHILIP TESTA.

The informant advised in regards to JOHN SCOPELLITI that he was not certain but was under the impression that SCOPELLITI had been offered the choice in the early 1930's to return to Italy or face being executed for something SCOPELLITI had done to the "Family." So far as the informant knew, this SCOPELLITI did return to Italy, but under either circumstances SCOPELLITI is now deceased. Informant did not know if SCOPELLITI died in the United States or in Italy.

The informant said that SABELLA, according to SAM SCAFIDI, continued as the first boss of the Philadelphia Family until approximately 1930; at which time JOHN AVENA took over as boss. JOHN AVENA, of Philadelphia, was murdered in Philadelphia in around 1936. After his murder, the Philadelphia boss was JOSEPH BRUNO (deceased) of New Brunswick, N. J. JOSEPH BRUNO continued as the boss of the Philadelphia Family until he died at which time JOSEPH IDA took over.

JOSEPH IDA remained as boss until he returned to Italy, and prior to his departure he appointed ANTONIO POLLINA as the "temporary boss" of the Philadelphia Family of LCN. POLLINA was removed within a short period of time, and ANGELO BRUNO was made boss of the Philadelphia Family of LCN.

[REDACTED]

When JOHN AVENA took over the organization was known as the Mafia. It continued to be known as the Mafia up until the time that ANGELO BRUNO took over as boss. It was in this era of time that the organization was to be known as LCN, which the informant has translated to mean "Our Thing."

The informant said, according to SAM SCAFIDI, the first bosses, meaning SABELLA, AVENA, and JOSEPH BRUNO, were in sole command and that they did not have capodecinas or underbosses. It was stated that capodecinas and "underbosses" came into use during the time that JOSEPH BRUNO was the boss of the Philadelphia Family.

Informant said that the term LCN is still in use at the present time. In the conversation, SAM SCAFIDI mentioned that he was made a member of LCN in 1930, at which time the organization was known as the Mafia.

SAM SCAFIDI also mentioned in the conversation between SAM, BLIZZARD, and the informant that he, SAM, approximately two weeks ago, had been at St. Lukes Hospital and had encountered an individual who SAM said was a nephew of SAM SABELLA, mentioned above. SAM explained to the source that this nephew of SABELLA had been in the Eastern State Penitentiary during the time that the source, SAM, and GAETANO SCAFIDI were serving time for bombing a bar room in Chester, Pa. SAM said this person described above currently works for a laundry, is about 60 years old, and is bald headed. SAM encountered this individual in the St. Lukes Hospital, which is a customer of his. ALFREDO IEZZI lined up the St. Lukes Hospital for laundry services with this individual. SAM SCAFIDI said this person was scheduled to be executed for an unknown reason but instead of getting executed was successful in killing one of the assassians. Because of this the man received ten years and was serving this ten years in the Eastern State Penitentiary. This man was identified by SAM as a member of the Philadelphia Family of LCN. (It is apparent that SAM SCAFIDI is talking of LEONARD GALENTE, 4329 North Franklin Street, a nephew of the late SALVATORE SABELLA of Ambler, Pa., identified above as the first boss of the Philadelphia Family.)

Informant said he had met this individual but did not know where this person lived at the present time but was under the impression this person, at the present time, or previously resided in Ambler, Pa.

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Informant said he had on the previous Friday evening encountered ALFREDO IEZZI in the early evening in the vicinity of Eighth and Christian Streets. There was a brief conversation (9/2/66) in which IEZZI commented that ANGELO BRUNO and the others were returning from the shore in the near future. IEZZI said he had brought his family back to town in preparation for his children starting school.

Additionally, the informant said on Saturday, 9/3/66, per instructions of SA, he had contacted HARRY RICCOBENE and asked RICCOBENE if the [redacted] who recently visited RICCOBENE was [redacted] Informant, in contacting RICCOBENE, said that RICCOBENE acknowledged that the [redacted]

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[redacted] has not seen HARRY RICCOBENE since RICCOBENE has been out of jail and that the friendship between [redacted] and RICCOBENE was because they have "done business" before. [redacted] was said to have come to the Villa de Roma Restaurant "by cab" and to be en route to "New Jersey."

Informant also said that RICCOBENE told him that he, RICCOBENE, was afraid to take the stolen carpets being offered to him for sale by [redacted] because RICCOBENE was afraid to take a chance. In regards to [redacted] informant

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[redacted] phone number was [redacted] NO 2----- Informant also advised that there is an individual named [redacted]

[redacted] Informant told HARRY RICCOBENE of this and said that he might offer the stolen carpets to [redacted] if RICCOBENE decides finally not to purchase the stolen carpets.

[redacted]

SABELLA's daughter, ROSE SABELLA MARINCOLA, resides in Ambler, Pa., at 308 Lindwold Avenue with her husband, FRANK MARINCOLA. Their daughter, [redacted] was married to a soldier on 6/18/66, and a reception was held at the Maitre D' Restaurant.

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Mrs. SABELLA does not like [redacted] because [redacted] and GALANTE is living with her although they are not married. Mrs. SABELLA was the main reason GALANTE's marriage to ROSE COCI was short-lived, because she found out that COCI had been married prior to her marriage to GALANTE to "LENNY THE BABY."

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GALANTE only spends two or three nights a week at [redacted] although he is usually there for a time every day. GALANTE rarely takes [redacted] but socially anymore. Although GALANTE and [redacted] used to be at least weekly visitors to NICHOLAS PICCOLO's 500 Club at 11th and Christian Streets in Philadelphia, [redacted] GALANTE runs around with a group of Italian men, some of whom [redacted] has met through GALANTE, but does not recall their names. Some of these men GALANTE has met at the 500 Restaurant. NICKY PICCOLO and his brothers, JOE and MIKE, are very close friends of GALANTE.

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GALANTE uses the address of 1022 Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, N. J., on his New Jersey driver's license. This is the address of "one of his bosses" at Consolidated Laundries, Inc., Pennsauken, N.J., where GALANTE works.

[redacted] keeps GALANTE's books regarding his earned commissions and new accounts he has obtained for Consolidated Laundries, Inc. GALANTE always carries a briefcase, wherein he keeps "his own tab on things which he does not want [redacted] to know about."

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GALANTE travels a great deal, but informant does not believe all of his travel concerns laundry business. GALANTE was and still is "in" with the Mafia, and is undoubtedly involved in loansharking and/or gambling. GALANTE supposedly earns \$90.00 a week, but he spends much more money than that. GALANTE's employment with Consolidated Laundries, Inc., is an excellent cover for anyone who would be involved in gambling or

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loansharking, because all of his travelling would appear legitimate.

Informant is not certain GALANTE is involved in illegal activity, but figures once a guy is in solid with the "Mafia," as was GALANTE, he stays "in" until he is no longer helpful to them or himself.

Informant feels certain that GALANTE has other sources of income other than laundry. [redacted] is beginning to fear GALANTE. Informant will try to develop information regarding GALANTE's other possible sources of income.

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In the event GALANTE beats or threatens [redacted] informant will advise SA [redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-1027)

DATE: 12/6/66

FROM :

SUBJECT:

LA COSA NOSTRA
AR - CONSPIRACYPHILADELPHIA LA COSA NOSTRA FAMILY

By Airtel dated 12/2/66 captioned, LA COSA NOSTRA, AR-CONSPIRACY," the Bureau enclosed for review for accuracy and current application "print-out" cards for each of the subjects, origin to Philadelphia, who are members, including proposed or suspected, of La Cosa Nostra now recorded on Bureau data processing equipment.

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2 - 92-1385	(FREDERICO LAGANA)	2 - 92-1386
2 - 92-1346	(JOSEPH LANCIANO)	2 - 92-1190
2 - 92-1078	(PETER MAGGIO)	2 - 92-1349 (ALPHONSE MARCONI)
2 - 92-1477		2 - 92-1067 (FRANK MONTE)
2 - 92-1735		2 - 92-1068 (FRANK NARDUCCI)
2 - 92-1075	(FRANK NICOLETTI)	2 - 92-975 (FRANK PALERMO, SR.)
2 - 92-1334		2 - 92-1562
2 - 92-1333	(JOSEPH PICCOLO)	2 - 92-1450 (MICHAEL PICCOLO)
2 - 92-1069	(NICHOLAS PICCOLO)	2 - 92-445 (ANTONIO POLLINA)
2 - 92-1373	(FILLIPPO POLLINA)	2 - 92-1348 (LUIGI QUARANTA)
2 - 92-1454	(HARRY RICCOBENE)	2 - 92-1332 (SANTO ROMEO)
2 - 92-1550		2 - 92-448
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2 - 92-1173	(SALVATORE SCAFIDI)	2 - 92-1498
2 - 92-1380	(JOSEPH SCIGLITANO)	2 - 92-1073 (PHILIP TESTA)
2 - 92-1520		2 - 92-1496
2 - 92-1449	(JOHN AVENA)	2 - 92-1359 (ANTONIO CALIO)
2 - 92-1529		2 - 92-1704 (DOMENICO CEPPALUNI)
2 - 92-1362	(ANGELO CILEONE)	2 - 92-1092 (FRANCESCO DOMNIANNI)
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The Bureau instructed that an immediate review be made of these "print-out" cards and in the event any change is necessary to up-date the recorded data, an FD-385 should be submitted, in accordance with instructions as set forth in SAC Letter 66-66 (c) dated 10/25/66.

The Bureau pointed out that it is incumbent on the field to insure that all known members, including proposed or suspected, of La Cosa Nostra are included in the Bureau's data processing equipment. The Bureau instructed an FD-385 be immediately submitted on those individuals for whom no "print-out" cards have been furnished to the field.

A review of the files of the Philadelphia Office reflect the following individuals to be members of the Philadelphia Family of La Cosa Nostra, Philadelphia office of origin:

LIVING

NAME

FILE NUMBER

AMATO, VINCENZO
BOTTO, JOHN
BRUNO, ANGELO
CAMINITI, EDUARDO CARMEN
CAPPELLO, JOHN ANTHONY
CASELLA, PETER
DENARO, IGNAZIO
DE VITO, DOMENICK A.

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>FILE NUMBER</u>
DI GIROLIMO, IGNAZIO "THOMAS"	92-1528
[REDACTED]	92-1172
[REDACTED]	92-1060
[REDACTED]	92-1342
GALANTE, LEONARD "FREDDIE LINEN"	92-1489
GATTO, JAMES "LEETV"	92-1350
[REDACTED]	92-1365
[REDACTED]	92-1338
IEZZI, ALFREDO	92-1064
LAGANA, FREDERICO	92-1385
[REDACTED]	92-1386
LANCIANO, JOSEPH "JACK WILLIAMS"	92-1346
[REDACTED]	92-1190
MAGGIO, PETER J.	92-1078
MARCONI, ALPHONSE	92-1349
[REDACTED]	92-1477
MONTE, FRANK	92-1067
[REDACTED]	92-1735
NARDUCCI, FRANK	92-1068
NICOLETTI, FRANK	92-1075
PALERMO, SR. FRANK "BLINKY"	92-975
[REDACTED]	92-1334
[REDACTED]	92-1562
PICCOLO, JOSEPH	92-1333
[REDACTED]	92-1450
PICCOLO, NICHOLAS	92-1069
POLLINA, ANTONIO DOMINICK	92-445
POLLINA, FILLIPPO	92-1373
[REDACTED]	92-1348
RICCOBENE, HARRY "HUNCHBACK"	92-1454
ROMEO, SANTO	92-1332
[REDACTED]	92-1550
[REDACTED]	92-448
SABATO, GUISEPPE "JOE BOOZA"	92-1472
SCAFIDI, ROCCO	92-1316
SCAFIDI, SALVATORE	92-1173
[REDACTED]	92-1498
SCIQLITANO, JOSEPH	92-1380

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LIVING (CONT'D)

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FILE NUMBER

TESTA, PHILIP CHARLES

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DECEASED

NAME

FILE NUMBER

AVENA, JOHN "BIG NOSE" "NAZONE"

92-1449

92-1359

92-1529

CEPPALUNI, DOMENICO "MIMI"

92-1704

CILEONE, ANGELO

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DONNIANNI, FRANCESCO

92-1092

FESTA, DOMENICO

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MAGGIO, MICHAEL

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PERUGINO, GUISEPPE

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PICCOLO, FRANK

92-2011

92-1372

RICCOBENE, SR., MARIO

92-1518

ROMEO, MICHAEL

92-1712

ROMEO, SAMUEL

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SABELLA, SALVATORE

92-1377

SAVARESE, PAUL

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SCAFIDI, GAETANO

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SCOPELLITI, JOHN

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TESTA, SALVATORE

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SINDONE, FRANK

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With respect to the living members of the Philadelphia Family, including proposed, La Cosa Nostra, Philadelphia origin, it is noted that no "print-out" cards were received for the following:

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JOHN BOTTO, 92-1834
DOMENICK A. DE VITO, 92-1726
[REDACTED] 92-1365
FRANK PALERMO, SR., 92-975
[REDACTED] 92-1063
FRANK SINDONE, 92-1072.

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In accordance with Bureau instructions, FD-385's should be immediately submitted on these six individuals and a review made of the "print-out" cards on all others to be certain they are accurate and up to date.

With respect to the deceased members, Philadelphia origin, of the Philadelphia Family, La Cosa Nostra, it is noted that no "print-out" cards were received. An immediate FD-385 should be submitted on each deceased member, as it is imperative that the Bureau's data processing equipment be accurate and current at all times.

[REDACTED]

INFORMANT FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH IS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE, INFORMANT DIRECTLY INVOLVED. USE WITH CAUTION FOR REPORT PURPOSES.

Informant on Friday evening, [REDACTED] visited the Villa Di Roma. At about 9:30 p.m. HARRY RICCOBENE joined the informant and [REDACTED] at their table. In conversation with RICCOBENE informant learned the following additional information in regards to ANGELO BRUNO's investment in a gambling casino in London:

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HARRY RICCOBENE in previous conversation on 12/5/66 told source that he, RICCOBENE, ALFRED IEZZI, ANGELO BRUNO, CHARLES I. COSTELLO, and JOHN SIMONE had put up between them a total of \$100,000 for ANGELO BRUNO to purchase an un-named gambling casino in London, England.

RICCOBENE on 12/9/66 was described as being in a good mood and furnished the following additional information: Besides the above-listed partners, RICCOBENE identified PETER MAGGIO and FRANK NICOLETTI as "partners" in the gambling casino in London. RICCOBENE said that these two were "coming up" with \$100,000 with PETER MAGGIO putting up the major share of this money.

It was said that BRUNO had made nine trips to London and that the actual cost of transportation and living expenses totalled over \$5,000 for which BRUNO would have to be reimbursed. RICCOBENE described this as "coming off the top." BRUNO was said to be contemplating returning to London in the near future, but this time would "go in a round-about way" in an attempt to avoid the FBI detecting his departure. It was indicated that BRUNO might possibly go to Florida and travel from Florida to London. When BRUNO leaves for London on this next trip he will take the \$100,000 from PETER MAGGIO and FRANK NICOLETTI and possibly have additional funds with him.

HARRY RICCOBENE said that he had so far put up \$60,000 for his share of the gambling casino. He said that

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the gambling casino would cost between \$400,000 and \$500,000. RICCOBENE did not say if the \$400,000 to \$500,000 would include the funds needed to operate a gambling casino after it had been purchased. HARRY RICCOBENE also said that JOSEPH RUGNETTA was mad because he had heard about BRUNO's purchase and had not been asked to become a partner of it. BRUNO was said to have paid "in cash" for the purchase of the gambling casino and will have "cash" with him on his next trip that he makes to London.

Informant said that RICCOBENE claimed that arrangements were being made with some airline or "company" so that gamblers can receive free transportation to go to London and gamble in the casino owned by BRUNO, ET AL. RICCOBENE said that these individuals would be "big gamblers" to receive the free transportation. RICCOBENE also called the prospective gamblers as "live ones."

Informant surmised that ANGELO BRUNO must have been in touch with RICCOBENE since his return from London [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RICCOBENE said that neither BRUNO nor he nor the other partners are worried about BRUNO's [REDACTED] inasmuch as the gambling casino in London was "a legitimate business."

RICCOBENE did not say who would run the gambling junkets to London. It was indicated that no one "from here" would work in the gambling casino in London. It was indicated that there would be legitimate operators running the casino possibly as a front for BRUNO. It was not stated whether BRUNO, ET AL, would appear as owners of record of the gambling casino.

Informant said he received no information as to whether or not other ICN families were investing in Philadelphia or in London but stated that it was definite that there was only the "SIGIE" (Sicilian) element of the Philadelphia family, ICN, who was investing in the casino with ANGELO BRUNO.

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Informant said that he had questioned RICCOBENE as to whether or not PHILIP TESTA was a partner in the gambling casino. To this RICCOBENE said, "Whatever ANGE has got he cuts PHIL in." Informant said from this it was indicated that PHILIP TESTA would have a share of the ownership of the gambling casino. It was not stated, however, whether TESTA did or did not put up money to purchase the casino.

RICCOBENE told both the source and [redacted] that the gambling casino would be lucrative and would "make good money" once it gets going. It is RICCOBENE's opinion that with the income from this gambling casino plus his vending company he will earn a sufficient sum so that he will not have to have his other business interests.

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Informant said that on Saturday, [redacted] he was visiting [redacted] the informant, and JAMES "LEFTY" GATTO were engaged in a discussion as to who was the boss when PETER CASELLA went to jail (1958). Shortly thereafter MICKEY DIAMOND (DOMENIC DE VITO) approached the group. [redacted] asked DIAMOND, "Do you know this guy?" meaning the informant. The informant said that DE VITO knows him but understood the question to mean has he met the informant as a member of LCN. DIAMOND's comment was that he had "never met him in my life." At this point in the presence of GATTO, [redacted] to DE VITO as "a friend of ours" which enabled all present to know that the group all were members of LCN.

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After this introduction the quartet entered [redacted] There was a continued conversation as to who was the boss of the Philadelphia family when PETER CASELLA went to jail. There was a discussion as to whether or not "the guy from Ambler (SALVATORE SABELLA) was the boss at the time but no decision was made during the discussion. In conversation DE VITO and GATTO said that they did not have a "game" going at the present time but were endeavoring to start a game. Informant said that DE VITO never mentioned his arrest by the FBI

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or that he was awaiting sentencing in Federal court. Informant said that GATTO and MICKEY DIAMOND left together at about 8:00 p.m.

Informant said that in the ICN introduction [REDACTED] been FRANK MONTE's "thieving partner," to which the assembled group laughed. Informant pointed out that he no longer was a partner in MONTE's activities.

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Informant said that it was his opinion that he could discuss the information he had received in conversation with HARRY RICCOBENE. He was therefore directed to attempt to bring up the investment in London with any of BRUNO's identified partners and will make an effort to do so.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: [REDACTED]

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/10/67

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact: 1/5-6/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted:

ANGELO BRUNO	92-444
DOMINICK DE VITO	92-1726
JAMES LEFTY GATTO	92-1350
[REDACTED]	92-1735
FRANK NARDUCCI	92-1068
JOSEPH RUGNETTA	92-448
SALVATORE SABELLA	92-1377
GAETANA SCAFIDI	92-1379
ROCCO SCAFIDI	92-1316
SAM SCAFIDI	92-1173
PHILIP TESTA	92-1073
JOSEPH BRUNO	92-1358
LCN	92-1027
[REDACTED]	92-2014

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Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Source on 1/5/67 furnished the following information:

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SENSITIVE AND SHOULD
BE TREATED ACCORDINGLY FOR REPORT PURPOSES.

Informant advised that on the evening of [REDACTED] he was visited at his residence during the evening by JAMES "LEFTY" GATTO, NICKY DIAMOND (DOMINICK DE VITO) and FRANK NARDUCCI. NARDUCCI and group, after being admitted, joined informant in the kitchen of his home at which time NARDUCCI made it known that he had been told about the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NARDUCCI indicated that he and the others were interested in starting a game in [REDACTED] he told NARDUCCI, et al, that his personal situation was not good and that he was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Informant said this comment was good for a laugh to NARDUCCI, et al.

Informant, however, showed the group the physical [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NARDUCCI [REDACTED] had an excellent layout and was particularly impressed that there was more than one exit from [REDACTED]

The group returned to the [REDACTED] Informant said that they refused coffee but "cost me (source) a half bottle of whiskey."

Informant said that the conversation turned to "old times" and ICN. DE VITO told the informant that he had heard a lot of the names of the old-time members but did not know the people. DE VITO said that he had heard of "DON TURIDDU (SALVATORE SABELLA), the guy from Ambler" (Pennsylvania), who DE VITO said had the reputation for being a real "con guy." DE VITO also said that he had heard of "Mr. MIGO" (ANTONIO POLLINO), but had never met POLLINO as an ICN member.

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At this point GATTO commented that POLLINO had been a "Boss" once but was "now on the side." GATTO told DE VITO "You know they were going to kill him (POLLINO) - De Calies (Calabrian members, Philadelphia Family, LCN) were going to do it." Source said that from the conversation it was indicated that DE VITO was "made" since ANGELO BRUNO had been made "Boss." He pointed out that he did not ask DE VITO how long it had been since he was inducted as he, the informant, considered it better to "just listen." GATTO, according to the informant, showed that he was an old-time member when GATTO told the group that the late JOE BRUNO was "a good Boss." GATTO also classified ANGELO BRUNO as a "good Boss" and also listed the "old man" (JOSEPH RUGNETTA) as a "good guy."

Informant [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Informant said that he told DE VITO that "LEFTY" (GATTO) had been in LCN a long time. DE VITO indicated that he spent a considerable time with GATTO and said that GATTO had introduced DE VITO to many of the LCN members. DE VITO pointed out as an example the recent occasion when DE VITO was introduced to the informant as one LCN member to another.

NARDUCCI entered the conversation and spoke of "TONY NARCISI" who he classified as having a reputation for being "a rough guy" in the past. He said NARCISI had recently had a stroke, had almost died, but was now "home." It was indicated that NARCISI was partially paralyzed in his right side. Informant pointed out that he was under the impression that NARDUCCI had been told of TONY NARCISI by PHILIP TESTA. DE VITO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] father, as well as having met SAM SCAFIDI, as an LCN member. He told the informant that he had known SAM to be an old-time member even before he had actually been introduced to the informant as an LCN member.

Informant was asked if he felt that there was any genuine affection between the various LCN members. It was his opinion that the only object of affection is if "they can make a buck with you." He advised that it was only "fear" that kept the various LCN members in line. He said "this bit that we are all brothers is a lot of --- (obscene)."

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Informant has previously furnished information re one [redacted] In an effort to establish the complete identity of [redacted] informant observed a photograph of [redacted] The informant said that he could only comment that the photograph of [redacted] He stated that he could not say that the photograph of [redacted]

[redacted]

Informant furnished the following information on 1/6/67:

He was asked to identify all of the legitimate enterprises in regards to the following individuals:

Informant said that the late GAETANO SCAFIDI formerly operated in the early 1930's the "Empire Yeast Company of Philadelphia" which company is now operated by GAETANO's son SAM SCAFIDI. GAETANO SCAFIDI for a couple of years around 1952-1953 operated a luncheonette at 909 South 8th Street. These were the only two legitimate enterprises known to the informant involving GAETANO SCAFIDI as well as GAETANO's son SAM, 911 South 8th Street, Philadelphia. ROCCO SCAFIDI never had any legitimate business enterprise, was only engaged in writing "bad checks" and "stealing" and didn't do good at either of these.

Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/31/68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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ANGELO BRUNO	92-444
PETER CASELA	92-452
ANGELO CHERICO	92-1344
CHARLES I. COSTELLO	92-1140
IGNAZIO DENARO	92-976
LCN	92-1027
Purpose and results of contact	
☐ NEGATIVE	FRANK NICOLETTI 92-1075
☒ POSITIVE	LEONARD NICOLETTI 92-1412
☐ STATISTIC	JOSEPH PERELLA 92-2045
	ANTONIO POLLINA 92-445
	[REDACTED] 92-1550
	JOSEPH RUGNETTA 92-448
	SALVATORE SABELLA 92-1377
	JOSEPH SCAFIDI 92-1331
	SAMUEL SCAFIDI 92-1173
	JOHN SIMONE 92-1021
	FRANK SINDONE 92-1072
	PHILIP TESTA 92-1073
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	LOCAL #107 MEMBER, ROBERT DE GEORGE -
	VICTIM 62-4861
	PHILADELPHIA FAMILY LCN
	VICTIM BURIAL GROUND, ROSENHAYN, N.J. 92-2084
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SA [redacted] accompanied by SA [redacted]
contacted captioned informant, evening of 1/18/68. This source,
however, desired not to talk when more than one individual
present.

[redacted]

On 1/18/68, [redacted] met with SA [redacted]. This meeting had been telephonically arranged on 1/17/68. This informant was advised by SA [redacted] that the FBI received a great deal of information indicating that he was extremely active. He was told that this information comes from a wide variety of sources, and as an example, information had been developed alleging that he was highly instrumental in the affairs of Local #107, Teamsters Union, Philadelphia, and in particular, had been involved with the individuals who were arrested and charged with the murder of Teamsters member ROBERT DE GEORGE in a gun battle in front of Local #107 Headquarters in August 1967. He was told that SA [redacted] superiors of course, received this information and additionally SA [redacted] immediate superior knows that he is in contact with the source. He was advised that when compared to the information showing him extremely active, it did not appear that he was being cooperative with the FBI, particularly it did not appear that he was being cooperative even in areas where he could furnish information without jeopardizing himself or his close associates.

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This source said he would not deny that he knows "each and everyone" involved in the Local #107 affair and claimed, as he had previously, that he had injected himself into this matter only to smooth over the friction between two factions in this Local Teamsters Union. He was told point blank that this was not believable and that if he was SA [redacted] he would not believe the story either. Source made no answer to this comment. He was told that it was difficult to understand how the source could claim that he did not know persons in the LCN in New Orleans or Detroit, Michigan, as he had previously claimed. Source was reminded that he had done time in the State of Michigan and, again, he should have met someone from the Detroit Family, LCN. Source's answer to this was that at the time he served a prison term in Michigan, there was no one from the Detroit area serving time with him. Actually, it had been the policy that persons doing Federal time usually did so away from their home areas. Source said that so far as LCN members in New Orleans were concerned, that he had never met anyone as an LCN member who originated from New Orleans.

He stated that, of course, he had been told by other LCN members that various people are members of the Organization.

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As an example, he recalled being told by an unrecalled LCN member that CARLOS MARCELLO of New Orleans was a bigshot in LCN, the topic having come up because of the possible deportation of MARCELLO. He said that it was a mistake the FBI made if they believed that just because a person is a member of LCN, that he would know everyone. At this point, in regard to membership in the LCN, the source said, "I'm in; I'm in." "I don't know everyone." He admitted that he did know each member of the Philadelphia Family in the Philadelphia area; making a point that he wasn't always informed, he furnished the following information:

Source said that even though he was a member of LCN, and additionally, was, in fact, closely associated with ANGELO BRUNO, he did not know every move that ANGELO BRUNO made. He stated that, in fact, he did not know that ANGELO BRUNO was presently in Florida until he made inquiry about BRUNO, whom he wanted to contact. He said it was only when he inquired that he learned that ANGELO BRUNO and his wife were in Florida. Informant was asked what the purpose of ANGELO BRUNO's visit to Florida was and he stated that so far as he knew the visit was only for a "vacation." He was asked if this visit had been for the purpose of BRUNO's attending a Commission Meeting of LCN, would he so advise SA [REDACTED]. He said that he would, but again reiterated that so far as he knew, BRUNO was in Florida for a vacation.

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Informant was next asked if he would identify anyone known to him to be an LCN member, whether he had learned about this individual having been made himself, personally, or whether he was told by another LCN member that an individual had been inducted into the Organization. His reply was that he would identify anyone that he knew to be a member of LCN, as "90% of these jerks want it known that they're in anyway." It was the source's opinion that it didn't hurt anyone to be identified as an LCN member.

Informant said that the FBI, he thought, received a lot of "rumors." Informant was told that if the FBI could go to one farm in all of the United States and look for a car and bones that had been buried for over 27 years, then they were receiving pretty specific information. This was in reference to FBI digging on a farm now owned by [REDACTED]

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and automobile of ADOLPH. ALBERT, and JOHN D'ALLESSANDRO.

Informant said that [redacted]
and [redacted] He was
told that the FBI had, indeed, found what they were looking for.
He was also told that there would probably be an FGJ in regard
to this FBI investigation and that the source, because he was

He indicated that he thought SA [redacted]
[redacted] He was told that it was not
SA [redacted] choice and that he, along with [redacted]
probably would receive a subpoena. He said the subpoena would
be "no sweat."

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Informant was asked when [redacted]

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was asked wasn't this about the time PETER CASELLA and SAM
SCAFIDI (deceased) had entered into the Organization. He said
that SCAFIDI and CASELLA had been "made" a couple of years
prior to his own induction. In answer to a direct inquiry
as to who was made with him, the source said only "SKUTCHIE"
(ANGELO CHERICO). Source identified SALVATORE SABELLA as being
the "boss" of the Philadelphia Family at the time of his
induction and said further that the Organization at that time
was known as the "Mafia."

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In regard to the "old-timers," source said that
there were not many around now. He agreed that ANTONIO POLLINA,
IGNAZIO DENARO, JOSEPH SCAFIDI, were some of the old-time
members. Informant was asked [redacted] with JOHN
D'ALLESSANDRO, better known as JOHN DOGGIE, who disappeared
12/17/40. He said that he did know him. He was asked who
D'ALLESSANDRO was closely associated with, and answered that he
was closely associated with "all of us." He was asked if PETER
CASELLA had not been closely associated with JOHN D'ALLESSANDRO.
He said it was rumored that CASELLA has been close to D'ALLESSANDRO
as had/NICOLETTI and other individuals.

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The source was questioned particularly about whether or
not he had been mistaken in previously stating that he had met
LEONARD NICOLETTI as an LCN member. He said that he had actually
met LEONARD NICOLETTI and his brother, FRANK NICOLETTI, as members

[redacted]
and knew they both belonged and both were in the Philadelphia Family.

The source was reminded of his claim that [redacted]

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[redacted] believe that FRANK SINDONE was a member of LCN because of his close association with both ANGELO BRUNO and PHILIP TESTA. Informant replied, [redacted]

[redacted] Source said, "I

[redacted] Informant went on to explain that he was

[redacted] He said because there was more than one person who voted against SINDONE, [redacted] He stated that the only persons who like SINDONE were ANGELO BRUNO and PHILIP TESTA. Informant was asked to explain [redacted]
[redacted]

Informant was asked if he had been questioned as to his opinion, and if JOSEPH PERELLA (Vineland, N.J.) was also under consideration for induction. Source said he did not know this for sure, but would not be asked directly about PERELLA, even though he knows of him, inasmuch as PERELLA is from the Vineland, N.J., area, and source is from the Philadelphia area. He said that JOSEPH SCAFIDI and the group around Vineland, N.J., would have to be the ones who would have to be questioned as to whether or not JOSEPH PERELLA would be taken into the Organization. He also indicated that it would be someone in this group who would probably propose JOSEPH PERELLA for induction.

Source was questioned about the membership in the LCN of [redacted] The source explained that when returning to Philadelphia, [redacted]
[redacted]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The conversation then reverted back to the fact that source, [REDACTED] did not know all of the affairs of LCN. He said, "I bet 70% of the members don't know what's going on." SA [REDACTED] agreed that the figure may even be more than 70%. He said probably only IGNAZIO DENARO, the underboss, and JOSEPH RUGNETTA, the consuleri, are the two individuals who are kept well informed and who would know when ANGELO BRUNO is out of town. He also said that even though ANGELO BRUNO was close to CHARLES COSTELLO of Trenton, N.J., COSTELLO probably would not know as much as to what was going on as JOHN SIMONE of Trenton, because SIMONE is a capodecina and also close to ANGELO BRUNO. He said that COSTELLO's association with BRUNO, to a large extent was "business." Source also acknowledged that both PETER MAGGIO, brother-in-law of ANGELO BRUNO and PHILIP TESTA, would know a great deal of what's going on because they are frequently around BRUNO and hear conversations. [REDACTED] is not known by source to be a member.

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Informant also pointed out that ANGELO BRUNO, for example, if he would invest in a good business proposition, would not tell about it because he said BRUNO did not want competition from the members of "the" family. In particular, he would not tell the source about it because BRUNO knew the source to be "aggressive." Informant was asked what he believed ANGELO BRUNO had in money. He said that he based his opinion on conversations he had with ANGELO BRUNO, where BRUNO named proceeds of certain amounts from certain business transactions, plus knowledge of BRUNO's other activities, and stated that he believed BRUNO would have at least one million dollars in cash. Source said that he had heard of himself, recently, that

[REDACTED] SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Source did not name

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Source said that he wanted to relate a funny story:

He said that [REDACTED] ANGELO BRUNO and went to look for BRUNO at the barber shop at 902 South 8th Street, where BRUNO frequents, almost daily. Present in the barber shop was FRANK NICOLETTI. To "needle" NICOLETTI, he told him that he looked bad, that he appeared to have lost about twenty pounds and he then asked NICOLETTI if he had been sick. NICOLETTI, seriously, and in the presence of BRUNO said that BRUNO wanted NICOLETTI around "just for company" and that he hated to come to the area of 8th and Christian Streets because things were "so hot." Source told NICOLETTI that he had nothing to worry about if NICOLETTI wasn't doing anything, as he claimed. BRUNO told NICOLETTI the same thing while seated in the barber chair. NICOLETTI said, however, that it made him nervous just to be around the neighborhood and be followed by the FBI, whether he was doing "anything or not."

Source requested that if [REDACTED]

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Informant said that the FBI would never catch ANGELO BRUNO in possession of any evidence. He said that BRUNO, because of his position, would never be around records indicating gambling activity. He said that PHILIP TESTA would have to review records and so forth. TESTA, however, according to source, when meeting BRUNO, would simply say, "We made \$5,000 this week," or whatever the situation may be and that "BRUNO would take his word for it."

It was pointed out that the informant appeared to

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deceased, in the back corner of the bar. Informant recalled that the person in the photograph [redacted] Informant said that he had frequented [redacted] and even though DI TULLIO was known to him there was no introduction made to the persons in conversation with DI TULLIO.

Informant, who is acquainted with ANTONIO CAPONIGRO, was asked if he had ever heard of anyone associated with CAPONIGRO who was known as a "hit man." The source said "what the hell, we are all hit men," and explained that any LCN member, if he has an assignment to murder someone, has no alternative but to go ahead and commit the murder.

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Informant advised that on [redacted] he arrived at IGNATIUS DENARO's coffee shop at about 8:15 p.m. He joined DENARO in conversation and had a cup of coffee. DENARO inquired as to whether JOSEPH SCAFIDI would be in town this coming Sunday. Source said that if SCAFIDI was in town maybe ANGELO BRUNO would have returned from Florida by that time and would want to meet with SCAFIDI. He requested that he be told "for sure" if JOSEPH SCAFIDI came to Philadelphia on Sunday, 2/18/68.

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While at the coffee shop of IGNATIUS DENARO, underboss, Philadelphia Family of LCN, on 2/13/68, DENARO, "out of the blue", said "you know, you have got a 'combare' who is a great football coach--VINCE LOMBARDI." Informant asked "who in the hell is VINCE LOMBARDI," and was told by DENARO that LOMBARDI is the coach of the Green Bay Packers. (National Football League). and that LOMBARDI [redacted]

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Informant said he told DENARO that he knew [redacted] Source recalled that he had previously furnished SA [redacted] it was this individual that DENARO was identifying to him as [redacted] VINCE LOMBARDI: Informant was subsequently asked and said that DENARO advised that VINCE LOMBARDI was not a member of LCN. Source recalled that [redacted] to [redacted] [redacted] the late GAETANO SCAFIDI, a long-time member of the Philadelphia Family of LCN who held the rank of Capodecina until the time of his death.

The source recalled, as he had previously, that [redacted]

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residence of GAETANO SCAFIDI, and from there would be taken wherever he wanted to visit by [redacted] both of whom are [redacted] He recalled that [redacted] visit MIKE MAGGIO, deceased, and SALVATORE SABELLA, identified to the source as the first Boss of the Philadelphia Family of LCN, and PETER CASELLA, currently serving 40 years in Atlanta on Federal narcotics charges. [redacted] with GAETANO SCAFIDI as GAETANO SCAFIDI and [redacted] Source said PETER CASELLA and the others would give money [redacted] He said [redacted] enter any business establishment and take what he wanted and invite [redacted] and the source to help themselves to whatever they wanted, and would walk out without paying for anything. [redacted] was apparently successful in this because of his reputation for being tough and apparently came to Philadelphia only to extort people whenever he wanted money. The LCN members who gave him money,

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according to this source, did so because "of their respect" for

[redacted] Source said that [redacted]
[redacted] and liked to chauffeur him around because he was fed well
and treated well [redacted]

Informant was asked if DENARO had said to which LCN
family PETE LOMBARDO belonged. He said DENARO claimed that [redacted]
and GUISEPPE TRAINA were "together" which would indicate, based on
previous information, [redacted] belonged to the CARLO GAMBINO
Family. It was pointed out, however, that source was not told
specifically that [redacted] belonged to the CARLO GAMBINO Family.

Source said he had visited [redacted] in
New York. He knew that he had children and knew that [redacted]

[redacted]

In regard to the location of [redacted]

[redacted] He believed that
the [redacted]

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Informant was directed to bring this matter up with [redacted]
[redacted] the next time he was in conversation with [redacted]

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Informant advised that [redacted]
[redacted] recently returned to the United States
from Italy. He said [redacted] prior to going to Italy was given \$200
by [redacted] so that [redacted] could give this money to
[redacted]

Source advised that he had been told by [redacted]
on 2/14/68 that [redacted] ANGELO BRUNO's wife, had given [redacted]
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This gift was delivered to [redacted] by
ANGELO BRUNO's son and daughter. [redacted]
[redacted] according to the source.

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On 2/16/68, informant advised that he had contacted [redacted] was asked if he remembered [redacted] He said he did but had never been to [redacted] with an obscene expression, also said that [redacted] had been tough and said that [redacted] had wanted source and [redacted]

Informant said that [redacted] bragged about what a wonderful guy [redacted] had been to [redacted] [redacted] who was also present.

Informant stated that on the evening of 2/15/68, he observed FRANK NICOLETTI and [redacted] [redacted] gave FRANK NICOLETTI an unknown amount of money which he had collected on loan shark payments during the current week. NICOLETTI told source that ANGELO BRUNO was still away and he did not know when BRUNO would return. NICOLETTI advised that he "may go to New York" this weekend.

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Informant said he arrived at [redacted] at about 8:30 p.m. He said everything was dead.

[redacted] asked if source had been to [redacted] He said he had not. [redacted] said that [redacted] had not visited his place since the night of 2/8/68 which was previously reported.

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Titles and Files on Which Contacted:

SALVATORE TESTA

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Informant furnished the following information on
9/3/68.

USE INFORMATION WITH CAUTION TO PROTECT IDENTITY OF
SOURCE.

In prior contact of 8/28/68, informant was given an assignment to arrange a meeting between JOSEPH SCAFIDI and ANGELO BRUNO by contacting PETER TESTA.

Informant said that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PETER TESTA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PHILIP TESTA's [REDACTED]

Informant said [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Conditions there were described as
quiet. [REDACTED]

Informant arrived at the Bridgeton, N.J., residence of JOSEPH SCAFIDI at 10:30 a.m., on 8/31/68. At this time, he told JOSEPH SCAFIDI that he would take him to the summer residence of PHILIP TESTA in Atlantic City, and that arrangements had been

[REDACTED]

JOSEPH SCAFIDI, in informant's car, departed from Bridgeton at about 2 p.m., 8/31/68, and arrived at the La Rosa Restaurant at about 2:30 p.m. [REDACTED]

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received word from his brother that the informant was bringing someone to his summer residence on the morning of 8/31/68, and

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[redacted]

[redacted] JOSEPH SCAFIDI was asked what was on his mind and said to BRUNO [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] ANGELO BRUNO said. "Don't pay him [redacted]"

[redacted] SCAFIDI asked "If I get called before a grand jury, what am I supposed to do?" BRUNO asked SCAFIDI, "What have they got to call you before a grand jury for?" SCAFIDI said, [redacted]

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BRUNO, [redacted] SCAFIDI started to reply and said, "No, but," at which time ANGELO BRUNO held up his hand to halt the conversation. He paused and weighed what he was about to say, as was his custom throughout the conversation, and said to SCAFIDI, "Stop, wait a minute."

[redacted]

[redacted] BRUNO said, "I don't know about it. PHIL (PHILIP TESTA) don't know about it, and [redacted]"

[redacted] don't know about it. This was before our time. This was before we were made." [redacted] "Isn't that right, JOE?"

JOSEPH SCAFIDI replied, "I guess so. This all happened when JOHN AVENA was Boss:" i.e., Boss of Philadelphia Family LCN.

[redacted] Informant said in reference to what he knew about this [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] BRUNO said, "What we don't know is better," and in this way stopped JOSEPH SCAFIDI from [redacted]

BRUNO then asked JOSEPH SCAFIDI, "How many people know about this thing?"

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JOSEPH SCAFIDI began listing the following names:

JOSEPH SCAFIDI
IGNATIUS DENARO
ANTONIO POLLINA
PETER CASELLA

[REDACTED]

HARRY RICCOBENE

who are all still living. Additionally, JOSEPH SCAFIDI listed the following deceased members of Philadelphia Family LCN:

JOHN AVENA
"OLD MAN MARIO" RICCOBENE (Father of HARRY RICCOBENE)
SAM TESTA
JOHN CAPELLO'S FATHER (JOHN CAPELLO, SR.)
GAETANO SCAFIDI (brother of JOSEPH SCAFIDI)
SAM SCAFIDI (nephew of JOSEPH SCAFIDI)
"MR. CHEECH" (FRANK BARRALE) (BARRALE's daughter is married to ANTHONY SCAFIDI, youngest son of JOSEPH SCAFIDI)
SAM SABELLA (SALVATORE SABELLA)
ANTHONY PERELLA (brother of JOSEPH PERELLA and was the brother-in-law of JOSEPH SCAFIDI)
JOSEPH GIAMMONIA

JOSEPH SCAFIDI ended the listing of these names with the statement [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Informant stated that PHILIP TESTA throughout this conversation [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

TESTA, however, when it was mentioned [REDACTED] laughed and had a big smile on his face.

Informant also said that this was the first occasion that he knew that SAM SCAFIDI had [REDACTED] He stated that this meant that either SAM SCAFIDI had participated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BRUNO addressed SCAFIDI and

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it." BRUNO said that he personally doubted that JOSEPH SCAFIDI would be called before a grand jury and counselled SCAFIDI not to worry about it. After this topic was discussed and BRUNO had finally told JOSEPH SCAFIDI not to worry about receiving a subpoena, BRUNO brought up the next subject and said to JOSEPH SCAFIDI, [REDACTED]

FRANK NICOLETTI will take over." Informant said at this point [redacted] JOSEPH SCAFIDI asked the source where [redacted] JOSEPH SCAFIDI out. [redacted] JOSEPH SCAFIDI said to source it was just a lot of worry and to just forget about it. SCAFIDI then told BRUNO after he heard that NICOLETTI would

Informant did not know why ANGELO BRUNO would have to get together with JOSEPH SCAFIDI at a later date. He did not

Periodically throughout this conversation, which lasted until about 5 p.m., JOSEPH PERELLA brought in drinks to the four men. At about 5:00 p.m., BRUNO announced that he had to leave; [REDACTED] JOSEPH PERELLA was asked what the bill was. He said the tab was \$32.00. [REDACTED] BRUNO laughed at this gesture and made a feeble offer [REDACTED] but he declined. After the meeting, JOSEPH SCAFIDI was driven from

[REDACTED] He was described as being in deep thought. After returning to SCAFIDI's residence, an invitation to dine with the SCAFIDIs was declined

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On 9/4/68, informant furnished the following information:

On the night of 9/3/68, at 8:30 p.m., FRANK NICOLETTI was observed leaving the candy store at the southeast corner of 10th and Christian Streets. NICOLETTI's Cadillac was parked on the south side of Christian Street. He observed the informant and waved for him to stop. NICOLETTI asked the informant if JOSEPH SCAFIDI and ANGELO BRUNO had met last Saturday (8/31/68). Informant said he didn't know and asked NICOLETTI if there was something wrong. NICOLETTI said "You know JOSEPH SCAFIDI is selling out of the numbers and I am going to take over JOSEPH SCAFIDI's play." Informant said from this, it was apparent that NICOLETTI had prior knowledge that BRUNO was going to meet with NICOLETTI on 8/31/68. Source said, however, he did not give NICOLETTI any information and when he meets with ANGELO BRUNO, NICOLETTI will be able to say that he had not heard the details of this meeting from the informant. NICOLETTI physically was described as losing a lot of weight, and of being pale, and of living in constant fear that the FBI is going to put him in jail some day.

The meeting between JOSEPH SCAFIDI and ANGELO BRUNO was discussed with the informant on 9/4/68. Informant stated that the following facts were clear to him:

Informant said that he knew personally in 1930 that JOHN AVENA was the Boss of the Philadelphia Family LCN or Mafia even though the informant, himself, at that time was not a member. He knew this because other relatives of his were members of the organization. He knew that AVENA was killed in 1937.

 Informant was originally told about a farm in New Jersey being used to bury murdered victims by SAM SCAFIDI. In view of the above comments, by JOSEPH SCAFIDI, SAM SCAFIDI was speaking from first hand knowledge. It was not until JOSEPH said SAM SCAFIDI had first hand knowledge that this fact was known to the informant. When JOSEPH SCAFIDI said that the farm was used when SAM AVENA was Boss, the meaning was that the farm came into use during this period. It was continued to be used as a burial site at least through the early 1940s because SAM SCAFIDI told the informant that the "DOGGIE BROTHERS" were buried on this farm and these brothers disappeared from Philadelphia in December, 1940. Informant

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believes that the actual grave site of the DOGGIE BROTHERS and the other unknown victims was on the property owned by [redacted] because when SAM SCAFIDI originally told the source about the farm, it was during a conversation in which the informant was told that the DOGGIE BROTHERS were buried on this farm, and informant was also told that he could live on this farm "free" just to keep curious people away from the property so that they would not find what was buried there. If it was not [redacted] then it would have been one of the adjoining farms owned by either [redacted] or the farm across the street owned by MIKE SCAFIDI, JOSEPH SCAFIDI's son. The graves are within these three farms and more likely on the farm previously owned by [redacted]. If this wasn't true, then JOSEPH SCAFIDI would not have been highly upset at the time the FBI was digging on the [redacted] upset to the extent that he needed medical attention, and JOSEPH SCAFIDI would not be upset now just by reading in the paper that there was going to be a Federal Grand Jury empaneled and one of the things they would investigate was the FBI's digging on the farm in Rosenhayn, N.J.

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The informant was asked to next discuss who he believed,

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He believed, however, that PETER CASELLA would be the most likely candidate to talk, because he has the most to gain from it. He said CASELLA, if he did talk, could tell a great deal and in particular, could clear a lot of murders. Informant said ANTONIO POLLINA has a great hatred for ANGELO BRUNO, PHILIP TESTA, JOHN SIMONE, and JOHN CAPELLO, particularly, and against the whole organization of LCN in general because of the way he is slighted and treated today due to his prior conflict with ANGELO BRUNO. The dislike for CAPELLO, SIMONE, and TESTA is because POLLINA, at the time he was Boss of the Philadelphia Family, made these three Capodecinas in the Family and that they ignore POLLINA and will not even visit him. Informant said that he did not know what to say in regards to the possibility of [redacted] currently is known as a [redacted] He has had no contact with [redacted] in a good many years. He characterized HARRY RISCOBENE as being

[redacted]

shrewd and not likely to talk in his opinion. DENARO again was described as being vulnerable, but would only talk as the jail door was closing. JOSEPH SCAFIDI is a puzzle. He possibly would kill himself rather than talk, in the informant's belief.

Informant said that he never heard anything about GUISEPPI SABATO, but again said he knew SABATO to be a member of LCN and to have been a member for many, many years.

Informant was shown a photograph of [redacted] and furnished background on this individual. Source, however, [redacted]

any persons known to owe loan shark money to ALFREDO IEZZI. The only person known to source to owe IEZZI money was NICHOLAS SCARFO, and SCARFO being a member of LCN himself, is not paying IEZZI loan shark rates on the money he owes to IEZZI. Informant believes that IEZZI would probably handle loan sharking activities through his check cashing agency, but had no concrete information regarding that.

Informant expressed the following views in regards to ANGELO BRUNO's informing SCAFIDI that FRANK NICOLETTI would take over SCAFIDI's interest in the numbers:

NICOLETTI, ifor sure, has the necessary \$11,690 to buy out JOSEPH SCAFIDI's share in the illegal gambling in which SCAFIDI is one of seven partners. SCAFIDI, even though he did not say so, probably decided not to sell his interest in these numbers when he heard that FRANK NICOLETTI was going to take over.

On 9/4/68, it was again discussed with the informant whether or not he could add any other individuals to the lists that JOSEPH SCAFIDI had identified as knowing about the grave site on the farm in New Jersey. The names furnished by the source on 9/3/68, were discussed with the source. He said he could not add any other names to the list. He advised that he remembered no names of persons in the Trenton, N.J., or Camden, N.J., area being mentioned by JOSEPH SCAFIDI. He said it appeared to him that all of the persons in the Philadelphia area are the ones who know about this grave site.